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## **EDITORS' PAGE**

It is not unusual to learn new things in EESTEC and get some experience in fields you never thought would be possible to find yourself in. And so for the first time we found ourselves in the roll of editors of one publication, the one you're holding in your heands right now. As any other biginner in a job, we started our work with a lot of creative energy and enthusiasm, believing that it would be fun any easy, but as it turned out it was not at all what we have had in our minds  $\odot$ 

The first and maybe most important part of making any publication, is to have proper material for it, which we had to collect from each and every LC, observer and some individuals. This part of job wasn't so hard, you may think....well, it is not a piece of cake, either. As it turned out, EESTECers love to have fun and travel, but really don't like to write about it, and it doesn't matter if you ask them politely or yell at them, there's no way to make them write anything if they don't find the reason for doing that on their own. But the good thing is that when you, after all your efforts and energy invested in thinking of the ways to inspire your fellow EESTEC-ers to write about their impressions, finally read the reports you received, you'll be able to really appreciate them! That's what happened to us, after finally finishing this phase of work and stepping into another

The next phase was, as we said a lot easier and deffinitely more interesting than the first one. Reading the reports was fun, finally we could recharge our bateries with the energy and spirit we found in them.

Living the stories of all those exchanges, even partially as no words can possible describe a real event, gave us the real meaning of this publication. It is priceless and eternal, as all these memories included in the stories are. Just picture yourself ten or twenty years from now, reading these pages, living the adveture once more, and you'll understad the real power

of this publication and the stories in it. That's why we are proud that we were its editors.

Maja Joksimović, LC Novi Sad Bojan Panjević, LC Belgrade

## LC Aachen

Year of foundation: 1987

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 17

## **Events organized in 2006:**

NIKO Meeting 2006, Aachen, 3.12.2006-8.12.2006

St. Petersburg - Exchange 2006, St. Petersburg & Aachen, in St.

Petersburg: 09.05. – 23.05.2006, in Aachen: 02.07. – 17.07.2006

## **About us:**

We had our traditional exchange with St. Petersburg in Russia. 10 students



from Aachen visited the city of St. Petersburg in Russia in May and in July students from Russia took part in the back exchange to Aachen. One member of LC Aachen joined the summer camp in Cosenza and was very happy about

the whole atmosphere and the fun factor, even after the 30-hours- bus trip to Italy. Our members were present on the congress and on the chairmen-meeting. Finally, our traditional Niko-meeting took place in the first week of December with 9 guests from Athens, Belgrade,

Helsinki, Podgorica, Nis, St. Petersburg and Tampere. We had a "cool" time around the "Unicup" Icehockey tournament and at the same time a "warm" atmosphere with hot malt wine and dancing.

## **Future plans:**

We are planning to organise another of our traditional St. Petersburg exchanges in May 2007; the back exchange of the Russian exchange partners should be in July. Two members will be on the workshop in Athens in April. Our Niko-meeting will also take place in December. Apart from this, we are thinking about organizing a workshop.

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## **NIKO 2006**

Exchange

3. - 8. December 2006

International student exchange 'NIKO event 2006' took place from 3rd until 9th of December in Aachen, Germany. Participants from Finland, Greece, Serbia and Montenegro came to Germany to have a good time. And we had it!

Milan Milinković and Vladimir Rakic, as representatives of EESTEC LC Belgrade, took part in, what later proved to be, an unforgettable experience.

Main subject of the happening was 'fund raising'. A very interesting

lecture was held by our friend Dejan Pangerčić who arrived from Munich. After that came the simulation about how you actually do it – starting with some e-mail writing and team-consulting, and finishing with an interview with the company head-manager ( who was successfully played by Dejan).



We also got the opportunity to see one of the biggest lignite deposits in Europe (Hambach) which looks pretty impressive. We had a tour, specially organized for us participants, so we actually got to the bottom of the excavation site in a vehicle and there was a company guy who explained us how the work is being done there. We also visited some buildings of the RWE complex where we attended a short lecture.

Also, specially for us, the organizers arranged a tour inside the famous

Cologne cathedral where two engineers showed us the equipment which is used for illumination, some safety fuses etc. The special thing about it was the fact that we were outside on the roof of the cathedral which is closed for every normal visitor! We went there by a special elevator and the whole roof was just for us. The Cologne panorama we saw left a great impression on everyone – a truly fantastic view.

Our accommodation was great. We were located together with our

hosts in their private apartments. Exceptional hospitality of our German hosts left a great impression on me as they never told us - 'no, you can't do that'.

I for myself arrived almost a day earlier. The Germans were full of understanding and I, as a big



football fan, even got the chance to see a live game in a stadium before the official exchange schedule begun . A ticket was already waiting for me, provided by my hosts, and I couldn't believe my luck.

Furthermore, we had a great opportunity to get to know the city of Aachen by visiting its most important locations. We had our own fun way to do it – in 'city rally' style.

We also visited the city of Cologne and the famous old town Maastricht in the Netherlands. We walked by foot from Aachen to a spot where the borders of three neighboring countries meet – Germany, Netherlands and Belgium. Coming from Serbia, I must admit that I was pleasantly surprised that there were no border guards present.

The fun part was really amazing. When you say 'Germany' people often think about 'beer'. Our hosts were ready and aware – not only were there unlimited amounts of it, there were also many kinds to choose from. In Cologne we tasted the famous 'Kolsch' for which they say is one of the best beers in Germany, if not the best. And we respected our hosts for that

...and we of course paid our respect to the beer too ©

Even though I don't believe in stereotypes they are always somewhere in the back of ones head. The common opinion is that people from western Europe are a bit reserved and not as open as us southerns. I am very glad that I had every right to doubt that. Everyone was so kind and open and in a matter of hours we were warmly accepted and treated like old friends. I even got so attached to one German girl that I took her as a sister. And she already came to visit me in Serbia. That is how reserved Eestec-ers can be ;)

And of course, people there do know how to have a good time!

The best party was in 'Starfish' discotheque in Aachen. Three different levels, with three different music styles – everybody could find a place for himself. The lightning and the amount of space leaves a big impression and guaranties a lot of fun. I think I am not at all exaggerating when I say that I felt a bit like a German that night, as we danced and sang together all night.

International food party was a total success. Even though they were not regular participants of the exchange, some Norwegians came out of nowhere and made the most delicious meal I have ever tasted. And everybody just had such a good time.

Most of the participants were so interesting people that the atmosphere was great in every moment of the exchange. That is also one of the key factors why this event proved to be much more than successful. I learned many things, got to know a new culture and different way of thinking and solving problems.

But above all – I gained a lot of new friends with who I intend to stay in contact for years to come.

Vladimir Rakić LC Belgrade



## LC Ankara

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**Number of members: 29** 

## Events organized in 2006:

Puzzle Puzzle, Antalya, Turkey, 06-13/02/2007

#### **About us:**

LC Ankara has become a local committee in Sofia-2006. We are very fresh but we are trying to do our best for EESTEC. We are working together as four universities in Ankara (METU, Bilkent, TOBB-ETU, Gazi) and

we really have a good communication with each other. We are organising meetings every 2 weeks, all of our members and our board are always in contact with each other. We have also



participated in EESTEC Chairpersons Meeting in Istanbul-2006. We are also responsible for the preparation of EESTEC Magazine International this year and we really put much effort to present you a good one.

Today, we have about 30 members from 4 different universities and we are getting bigger day by day! We also have a close relationship with

IEEE Student Branches in Ankara and we have a strong collaboration in our activities.

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## "PUZZLE-PUZZLE"

Workshop 6. - 13. February 2007 Antalya – Turkey



"Without any doubt, Antalya is the most beautiful place on earth." Mustafa Kemal ATATÜRK – The founder of Modern Turkish Republic

## Participants:

LC Trieste (4), LC Delft (4), LC Helsinki (1), LC Tampere (3)

## **Sponsors:**

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#### Venue:

Nazar Beach Hotel – Karpuzkaldiran/ANTALYA

## **Short Description:**

First activity of LC Ankara was not organised in Ankara, but the most famous coastal city of Turkey, Antalya. The workshop was mainly about mind games. Participants had the opportunity to have a knowledge about the mind games and also they really enjoyed the time they spent to solve them. "Puzzle-Puzzle" was also a European Union Project so we had EU grant for our project and we also paid back 70% of the travel expenses for the participants.

LC Trieste (4 participants), LC Delft (4 participants), LC Helsinki (1 participant) and LC Tampere (3 participants) participated in our event as EESTECers, but since that was EU Youth Action 1.2 Project, we also had 12 non-EESTECer participants from Ukraine, Russia and Azerbeijan, 4 participants from each one.

For the organising team (Tagi (Chairman), Dogan (CP), Hüseyin (Hüsam) (VC), Ozan (Webmaster), Mehmet, Dilhayat, Nadire (Nadia)) the event started on 5th Feb., Monday because that was the day that we arrieved at our beautiful hotel which has a very beautiful sea scenery. But we were worried because the weather was not so good and we were afraid that it would be like this through the whole event. (Luckily we were completely wrong!!). Many of us arrived to Antalya by a night journey and during the whole day we had to do our preparations for the project and when the night came, we were really feeling so tired and all we were asking for was to sleep... Well, we couldn't know that it was our last chance to sleep properly during the whole event: P Well actually, this was also the day which Italy, Ukraine and one participant from LC Tampere landed to our beautiful country, but they spent the day in Istanbul with people from LC Istanbul and at that night they got on their bus to take long, tiring, 11 hour journey from Istanbul to Antalya.

And then the dream week started...

Hüseyin (me, the writer :P) and Ozan woke up at 7 o'clock to pick up



coming participants the from Istanbul from the bus station in Antalya. And we didn't have to wait quite a long time, after 15 minutes the bus arrived at the station. Ozan knew one of the participants from Trieste before (fcuk Arlind: P) so we had no difficulty to find each other. Then we got on

the private service of the bus company to make our way to hotel... We were really happy to meet with 4 Ukrainian girls: P But actually in the service, everybody was complaining to me about Arlind, they were telling that he didn't stop talking all the journey and didn't let anybody sleep! Well, I think now I can put myself in their situation after spending one

week with him :D And also it was really funny to hear Turkish phrases from him which he learned from the guys of LC Istanbul. Especially: "Are you free tonight? Shall we go to my place? = "Bu gece bos musun? Bize gidelim mi?"...

After a journey of app. 45 minutes, we reached our hotel and the participants went into their rooms to have some rest. And also, in the hotel we also got to know the participants from the Azerbeijan, who were picked from the Antalya Airport by the other people from our organizing team. It was really funny for us to meet with them, because maybe some of you know that Azerbeijan language and Turkish language are very close to each other (Actually I even don't like calling it Azerbeijan language, it is Turkish, but anyway: P), but the way they speak sounds funny for us, but we can understand each other when we talk. Well actually, don't tell about this to Tagi who is our Chairman, because he is also from Azerbeijan: D...

After this we had some rest and walked around the hotel area and visited a small waterfall nearby the hotel. It was really good weather that day. You could even walk with just your T-shirt without any coat. Then, we came back to our hotel and played some kind of ice-breaking games. Participants were getting used to each other, and that was really some good news!! In the afternoon, Russian girls arrived to Antalya and again some of our organizers were ready to pick them up from the airport.

Next country to pick up was Holland and they were picked by our sweet Turkish girls Dilhayat and Nadire. Finland was the latest one, but we had to give a start to the Welcome Party with our unlimited beer!!! We played games together and then had a club atmosphere!! Woww we could feel that the fun was coming !! And when the Finland arrived, we left the hotel and went out for a walk around the area because the weather was so nice...

On the second day, our trainers of the project, Musa and Ferhan arrived and our Project had officially begun. At the beginning, we played some ice breaking games with the whole group. It was quite fun, especially "Show me your move" game. We understood that participants are very creative to find original moves... Especially we loved "Crocodile Walking" of Arlind. In the afternoon, participants were separated into groups and they built ships from board papers. And they were again sooooo creative!! Which ship builder can build a ship which has the shape of a woman's body:D But we were just getting starter with the fun. The biggest fun was that night!! We organized an international night and each country has presented their local foods, drinks, clothes, dances, music, etc... It was great fun!! We learnt many songs and we are sure that nobody will forget

the Ukrainian song "Tz ge mene pidmanula": P. But I think the most interesting part were the drinks: D... Just imagine seven countries who all have drinks with a high level of alcohol!! Oh my God!! And then we continued to party all night long! Everybody was dancing and



enjoying themselves. Thanks to Dutch guys, we really had our own great club... Are you asking how the night ended? We don't remember at all:

On the third day, our trainer Ferhat made us play Treasure Hunt Game which is very deeply related to mind games. We were separated into 6 teams and each team had a Turkish representative. There were 6 steps to achieve victory and as you found the answer for each step, you were being faced with another puzzle and puzzles were hidden in some places in the hotel. It was really fun to play this game, because all groups were running aroud the hotel and discussing the puzzles and other people in the hotel were completely puzzled. In hour and a half, the game was done ( and I m proud to be the Turkish representative of the winner team) In the afternoon, we applied a workshop to find creative solutions against the environmental pollution. We shared each countries' opinions about the topic and shared the solutions with each other. And at night, some people went out to taste delicious Turkish kebap... You wonder what happened to the others? Well, it is a pity that you ask this question because in an EESTEC you have to party all nights!! You must know this;)

Following day was probably the best day for all of us...After the

breakfast, we got on our bus and went to see some historical places in Antalya. Antalya was a very important city during the time of ancient Greek and Roman civilizations so it has many places to see. First, we visited the city of Perge, which was very important city in the time of Romans. It was really nice to feel the antique atmosphere, even though an insane old lady came and shouted at us but we were just singing a song together!!! We are sure that she has some mental problems :P Moreover, Italian boys were also very happy to visit an ancient toilette: D After that, we went to Aspendos theatre, which was one of the biggest theatres from Roman empire. Some of us also had to experience the camel ride there, and some of them went white in face :D ( I will not write who they are and please don't ask!!) Well, it was also really nice inside the theatre, we really had great fun. We tried to write EESTEC with the people, we were not successful enough, but at least we tried... After that, we went to a restaurant by the river and had our lunch. The owner of the restaurant was really hospitable, and especially "hospitable" for Russian girl Aliya, who has blonde hair and blue eyes, which all Turkish guys like :D After the lunch, we went to one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Turkey, Kursunlu Waterfall in Antalya. We bought some souvenirs there for us, and enjoyed the scenery of the beautiful nature and waterfall. It was so romantic to make photos as a couple under the beautiful waterfall. Some of us were getting really tired but we were just getting started!! After the waterfall, we went to the town center of Antalya to a big shopping center for some shopping and to have our dinner. After this, we went to the beautiful BeachPArk of Antalya, which has many big and small clubs by the seaside. We went to the Sobe Beach CLub, and we had such a great fun!! All of us conquered the club's dance scene and the music was really nice...

Everybody was feeling tired in the following day, because previous day was full or activities for us. On this day, we also had some nice workshops as always. We had a domino presentation with 5 groups. Also, by using all domino pieces, we wrote PUZZLE. And in the afternoon, we had a really tiring but useful workshop together which was called "Mission Impossible". We were put into 6 groups and each group had a country name. Tagi and Musa were the European Commission. Our task was to

write a EU-project like "Puzzle-Puzzle", trying to find partners...We had created so nice Project ideas and explained the topic to the others by our presentations. Nevertheless, some teams were banned because they had some racist ideas :D

At night, we were kind of sad, because it was the last night for LC Trieste, they had to leave earlier than us because of the change in their flight. We dedicated that night's party to our crazy guests from Trieste.

Nobody was aware of which day it was, but I think it was Sunday:P We were coming closer to the end...That day, our main topic was education systems. We shared with each other the problems of our education systems in our country and also showed the positive aspects of the systems. In the afternoon, we were again divided into 4 groups and prepared our lecture for the high school visit tomorrow. Each group had a topic: History, Geography, English and Maths and they prepared really funny and entertaining lectures for the high school students. But the worst for that day was to say goodbye to our Italian friends...Arlind, Francesca, Sara, Sasa...Thank you for coming here and being a part of our event. You will always be missed in Turkey...

The last day we visited Aydemir Atilla Konuk Anatolian High School in Antalya. It was really great entertainment for us to get to know the students from the high school, especially Finnish guys Henri and Jaska



were so much focused on a sweet Turkish high school girl. Musa made a presentation about EU projects and after that we went to the classes to present our lectures. We also had a football match during the lunch break with the students in the football pitch of the school. We would like to thank all the guys from

Atilla Aydemir Konuk Anatolian High School for their great hospitality towards us. And it was time for the final party!! We arranged the disco of our hotel and brought our unlimited free beers to that place. We were completely ready to party, only LC Trieste was missing, but we were sure

that they were somewhere around us and partying with us...We danced and danced and drank and drank...

And then dream was over...

Without any doubt every participant was ready to spend more time in Antalya, nevertheless every beautiful thing has to end somehow...One by one, all started to leave the hotel with many kisses and hugs. Every moment of this Project was unforgettable for us and we also felt it at the farewell. I'm sure that even though many of us didn't show, a river was crying inside everybody...And I'm not ashamed to say that I'm the most emotional guy of the Project, because I think I cried the most at the farewell...But we are sure that somewhere we will all be together again...

We want to thank all of our participants for being our guests in Turkey... For being our friends, partners...For becoming a part of our lives and for giving us the chance to be a part of their life...

We miss you!! Hope to see each other again somewhere!!

And as the very last word: In Turkish we have a proverb which has a similar meaning to the following: "What I did in the past is the assurance of what I will do in the future." So, you can be sure that if you participate in LC Ankara event, you will have one of the best times of your life. Hope to see you in our beautiful country!

Hüseyin ÖZCAN Vice Chairman in the name of EESTEC LC Ankara

## Turkey – getting a new vision

When I think back about our week a lot of nice memories pop up: the name-game move where the girls had to handle putting their shirts over their head. Playing chess against a Turkish high school kid. Doing a photoshoot in an old temple. Going to sleep at 5 in the morning and waking up

at 8 to start a fresh day of playing games. Swimming under a beautiful waterfall full of plants. Open the first beer at 4 in the afternoon. Running through the rocky Turkish landscape. Dancing naked in the same room where 5 hours later you have a serious discussion. Eating the finest kebab in the world, in a nice restaurant.

We learned a lot about different cultures on the intercultural night. We played a lot of games and I think playing games has a great influence on the dynamic group process. It is a lot of fun doing and you see different people in different roles constantly. And by playing games name games it is also easier to go to each other to talk.

Before I went to turkey, I didn't know what to expect. But if I look to it afterwards I have to confess I did had an image about turkey. And I have to admit it was completely wrong, I thought it was more of a 3<sup>rd</sup> world country, with much more poverty than I have seen there. Off course the parts we have been are the touristic spots, but still my expectations were different. The same thing counts when I think about the Turkish people I met there. In Holland live a lot of Turkish people, but mostly in the lower parts of our society and they live more in communities. So in Holland I don't know any Turkish people, the only thing I see, are kids hooking up on the street doing bad things. Like we all did in our youth. So before I came to turkey I didn't like Turkish people very much, but I have to say they are very nice and gently. I also expect to see more Muslim influences in turkey like women wearing scarves, but I didn't saw it so much. So I have to say turkey is a pretty westernized country, and I hope that that is a good thing...

Hugo Peters In the name of The Dutch Party Squad

## LC Athens

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## **Number of members:**

60 active members, 20 alumni and 120 new members

## **Events organized in 2006:**

Software Engineering in Greece, 6. - 13. May 2006

#### About us:

In April 2004 two Electrical Engineering students from Athens happened to be in Liubljana for the workshop: "NGN-Convergence in Telecommunication". People there explained to them what EESTEC is and one of them said:

"Hey let's make one of this in Athens too, I will be the chairman."

"Why not? I will be the vice-chairman" agreed the other.

And then they started looking for members...

So, in September they gathered their friends, explained to them their idea and they were more than happy to see that they were not alone. Under these circumstances, LC Athens was born and within one month we had more than 50 members. As a result, we were accepted in EESTEC as LC Athens in Madrid in April 2005.

In the first two years of our existence we organized 3 workshops:

- 1. Telecommunications & Networks (8-15 May 2005) : 22 participants
- 2. Power engineering in Greece: Past...Present...Future...(4-11 December 2005): 24 participants
- 3. Software Engineering in Greece (6-13 May 2006): we hosted 25 participants

As for the future, we are planning to organize a forth workshop in the end of April, hoping that it will be even better than the previous ones and to participate in many events all over Europe!

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## **Software Engineering in Greece**

Workshop 6. - 13. May 2006

"My friend Stefa and me got to participate in this workshop, and I'm very glad we did. It was a great experience!

I had never been in Athens before, so I was really looking forward to it. Our accommodation was at a university campus. The campus is huge, really enormous, I have to say. All technical faculties (except architecture) are situated there. It includes the faculties, sports fields, the canteen and student housing. All participants got to sleep in brand-new 2-bed apartments, each room with its own bathroom and a balcony! That complex was built paticularly for journalists for the Olympic Games, so you can imagine how good it was – just perfect! Most of our food we ate at the canteen, but if in the city or somewhere else, they took us to restaurants. No complaints there.

After our arrival in Athens we went straight to the canteen to have some dinner, and then to our rooms to unpack and have some rest – after all, the 30 hour trip Nis-Athens by train was pretty exhausting, especially if you take into account the troubles we had switching trains in Thessaloniki, taking the wrong train, than having to change trains in Larissa again © Anyway, I was in a room with a girl around my age from Belgrade, and we got along just fine. After we had our rest, there was a welcome party in the common room in the same building we slept in. The music was great, a mix of English-speaking and Greek music. At least it started that way. We had the chance to dance, meet other participants and the hosts. There were enough drinks, everyone was allowed to drink as much as they wanted, and some of the alcohol actually remained for tomorrow! Later, it was the turn for hosts to offer us some of their Greek spirit. They danced traditional Greek dances to the sounds of Greek music, we witnessed the strange dancing move they have – dancing around a lit

cigarette on the floor and then putting it out with one swift move of the hand. A truly amazing sight. And that wasn't all — we were able to see, and take part in a plate-breaking kind-of dance. Of course, those plates are meant for breaking — the plate-braking routine is also a part of their culture ©. We went to bed pretty tired, but convinced that this exchange is going to be one great adventure!

Since it was the start of the weekend, no lectures were planned, and the hosts took the chance to take us to a nearby island called Egina. We took a ferry-boat from Pireus to Egina (a one-hour voyage), and it was truly

amazing. I love the sea and sea voyages, even when they are so short, so I enjoyed it very much. I have to say that most of the participants were "on the same wave length" so we got along together so great right from the beginning, having fun, telling jokes and talking without



cease! There wasn't one boring moment during the whole exchange, and I'm very glad to have met those wonderful people. During the voyage, some of us stayed outside, just talking and enjoying the sight of that beautiful blue sea. We fed the seagulls and actually saw a dolphin that was following us. Those who were inside missed plenty ©

Two days on Egina were great! A small but beautiful island, combined with really nice weather for that time of the year, made a pretty good combination. The hotel was a 3-star one, rooms decent with a view of the see (the hotel was just at the edge of the coast, above the sea). At the ground floor there was a bar and some games such as pool (I think for free). We had plenty of free time on our hands, and we used it mostly for walking around, talking, some of us even bathing, and some of us just lying, trying to catch some sun. The hosts took us too see some of

the island's monuments (ancient ruins) and museums, which was also interesting. We had our meals at different restaurants, all of them paid by our hosts.

After coming back to Athens, we were supposed to have lectures as a regular part of the workshop. But, during that time, there were student strikes and negotiations in Athens, so we ended up having only two 45-



minute lectures (interesting topics for those who were into Computer Science: Advanced Databases. something and about programming). We had no complaints about not having lectures © The other day when we should have had lectures but didn't. the strikes were so severe

that nothing was working — city transport, shops, nothing. So instead of taking us somewhere, the hosts had no choice but to organize something interesting for us in campus for that day. So, we stayed, some guys played basketball, some other volleyball, with the girls cheering for them © After the sports event nothing was planned, and I didn't want to stay in the campus the whole day, when so much of Athens was still unexplored for me. So, 3 of our hosts agreed to take Stefa and me to the city center, which was really nice of them since they even gave us a mini-tour. Sightseeing of Athens was also organized for all participants the other day, when we saw all those ancient monuments and ruins such as Parthenon, as well as the grand and beautiful Olympic stadium.

As for the night fun that was organized for us, well, it was the best. Cafes and clubs in Athens are probably the best I have seen, and their parties are amazing. One night, they took us to one new, great looking cafe/club, which was really something, very classy. Perfect interior design, the music was nice, everybody was having so much fun. I think we had one drink for free, and the rest we had to pay for ourselves. During one point

of the party, the roof opened, and confetti started falling all over us! We could see the sky and the stars for some time, and it was really great. The other night was reserved for a karaoke pub. I guess that was interesting for most of the participants, but since I'm not a fan neither of pubs, karaoke nor beer, one of the hosts took me for a walk around to see all the nice cafes and clubs. But the next night was the best one, when they took us to a posh, extra expensive club, which was designed as an oriental one, but played mostly Latin music. Perfect combination! It was huge, with a balcony and it's own part of the sea and beach (which was closed at that time of the year, but didn't stop me from finding a way out there and fully enjoying it). We had reserved tables, with expensive drinks that just kept coming. Since I'm not that much of a drinker, I was satisfied with freshly squeezed orange juice, and the overall party. I have to say it was the best club I've ever been to, and I guess the guys enjoyed it pretty much, too, since they had the opportunity to watch the exotic dancers.

Our stay in Athens was so amazing, that many of us decided to stay a couple of days longer. Stefa and I stayed just one day extra, and then had to catch the train and come back home. All things considered, it was truly a wonderful experience, I have no objections to anything whatsoever, and would recommend Athens as a great travel destination (with or without EESTEC)."

Milena Markovic LC Nish, Serbia



## LC Banja Luka

Year of foundation: 2004

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**Number of members: 25 (10 active)** 

## Events organized in 2006:

**Seminar about computer networking -** for members and domestic students organized at our Faculty of Electrical Engineering in December '06

**Tour of Electro – distribution center –** for our students, January '07

#### **About us:**

LC Banja Luka became member of EESTEC at Congress in Belgrade

in 2004. So far we have organized two Exchanges and one Workshop (*EnerGreen '05*). Last year members of LC Banja Luka participated in 5 events: Summer Camp Budapest, Munich, Rijeka, ECM Istanbul, Grab Belgrade.

During past year some of our members graduated and some



of us are preaty close to graduate this year. Faced with this numerical

problem we imediately throw our selves in bussines of finding capable, inovative, reliable, fun young people. For this purpose we organized presentation of EESTEC for first and second year students. To motivate and acitvate some more people we organized seminar about Computer Networks for domestic students with lecturers from IT industry and Faculty. After that we had activation week and we showed what is true EESTEC spirit, lots and lots of food, great deal of intoxicating liquids, dance, and most important ... fun and laughs... nobody can resist that...

During last month we established contacts with IEEE, and arranged future cooperation in workshops and other activities.

Now, we are ready to do some Workshops, with interesting theme you'll soon hear about and wild rafting, camping... Prepare yourself! XD

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## LC Belgrade

Year of foundation: 2000.

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**Number of members: 226** 

## **Events organized in 2006:**

Tesla Neverending Story, Belgrade and Kopaonik, 8. – 16. July Job Fair - Create Your Future, Belgrade, 6.- 7. November

GRAB-Grab Autumn in Belgrade, Belgrade and Kopaonik, 4. – 10. December

## About us:

Since its foundation, LC Belgrade has great cooperation with all professors on the faculty as well with the Dean of the faculty.



Throughout their support we got in touch with many companies foreign as well as domestic ones. Throuhout years we organized many events among which Congress in 2004. In 2005 we started Job Fair. Project became important thing for our students who wants to find job, as well for us because we have stable income, independent of events. In 2004, we started cooperation with Microsoft, helping them as technical support for their biggest event in Serbia – Sinergija. We continued and expanded that cooperation, and today Microsoft is one of our most significant sponsors. Also we made many contacts with other companies. We created well connected alumni net, which provides funds from their companies. We also started with practise of motivational weekends for new members to get to know EESTEC spirit. We made cooperation with American embassy Public Affairs Office and got grant from them. We are currently searching for the ways to expand this coopeartion, as well to get in line to apply for the EU grant. We have cooperation with many students organization. With BEST we organize Job Fair and many promotional parties, and with IEEE we organized two workshops so far. Togehter with 6 other students' organization that deels with interanational student exchanges we formed Center for student exchanges, that helps us in many ways.

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## **Tesla Neverending Story**

Workshop 8. - 16. July 2006

## Participants:

Organized together with the IEEE Student Branch Belgrade. There was 28 participants and 5 guests (Board International). Among these are also students participants from our faculty.

## Participants from EESTEC:

LC Istanbul (3), LC Bucharest (1), LC Novi Sad (1), LC Ljubljana (1), Observer Sarajevo (1), LC Skopje - (5)

The Tesla Neverending Story Conference was held last July 8-16 in Belgrade, Serbia, and was joint effort hosted by both the EESTEC Local Chapter Belgrade and the IEEE Belgrade Student Branch. The conference centered on the world-renowned electrical engineer Nikola Tesla. This conference was my first EESTEC organized event and, to say the least, I was very impressed. Approximately forty participants from several countries (Greece, Turkey, and Columbia to just name a few) were invited to the nine day conference to learn about the famous Serbian engineer and the country he came from.



The conference was jam packed with a variety of activities to learn about Nikola Tesla **Professors** from the School of Electrical Engineering at the University ofBelgrade lectured biographical Tesla's on background and discussed the impacts of his discoveries on modern society. These

presentations were concluded with an "electrifying" demonstration of one of Tesla's most popular inventions - the Tesla Coil. We also visited Belgrade's Nikola Tesla Museum and viewed its one of a kind collection of Tesla's personal effects. These items included photographs and his letters of correspondence with other prominent people of his time. In addition talks and museums, we attended several events celebrating the 150th birthday of Nikola Tesla. These events included an extravagant reception hosted by the Prime Minister of Serbia and an official ceremony in honor of Nikola Tesla at the Sava Center.

To add a competitive aspect to conference, the organizing committee also held a student paper writing contest. In order to be selected to attend the conference the participants had to submit a research paper on any topic and an essay related to Nikola Tesla. The seven finalists of the contest presented their ideas to the attendees and judges (selected faculty from the University of Belgrade), and prizes were awarded to the top three papers.

In addition to educating us about Nikola Tesla, the conference organizers provided us with many opportunities to experience Serbian culture. On the first day we were divided into teams and sent on a scavenger hunt throughout the city of Belgrade. This gave us the chance to get to know

one another, as well as, see the historical and cultural points of interest in Belgrade. One notable site to mention is unfinishedyetimpressive Temple of Saint Sava. During our days in the Serbian capital we also visited the Jevremovac Botanical Gardens and the Royal Compound



Grounds where the royal family currently resides. Every aspect of Serbian culture was incorporated in the program including, of course, cuisine.

At least once per day, we were exposed to appetizing Serbian food. The intercultural exchange was extended further during international evening, where the participants presented their home countries through

food music. and slide The conference shows activities were not just limited to the confines of Belgrade. On the fifth day of the conference, we took a day trip to Obrenovac and where we had a guided tour of the Nikola Tesla Thermal Power Plant. The conference concluded with



a weekend trip to the Mountains in Kopaonik. There, we got to relax, eat more Serbian food and enjoy nature by hiking in the mountains.

The Tesla Neverending Story conference was an exceptional experience and I am glad that I had the chance to participate in it. I met lots of good people from many different cultures and, along the way, I learned a great deal about Nikola Tesla. I also got to experience Serbia in a unique way that would have been possible if I had just traveled there alone. It is great to see that there is an association like EESTEC that organizes events where young engineers can learn not only more about the electrical engineering profession, but can also socialize and exchange ideas with other future engineers.

John Harrod

# GRAB – GRab Autumn in Belgrade



Exchange

4. - 11. December 2006

# Participants:

LC Ljubljana (2), LC Athens (2), LC Istanbul (2), LC E.Sarajevo (1), LC Skopje (1), LC Tampere (2), LC Krakow (2), LC Banja Luka (2), LC Munich (2), LC Rijeka (2+1 coorganizer), Observer Sarajevo (2)



I know this sounds typical, but as much as I try to find the right words to describe everything that happened in Belgrade during these seven days, it is really, really hard! Lovely, exciting, interesting, funny... I am afraid that I will leave something out, tell me, how can it be put into only a few sentences?!

From the very arrival to the bus station in Belgrade, where the hosts waited for us, I

knew that these would be unforgettable seven days (I simply had that feeling!). We were sleeping in the best student dormitory in Belgrade, which really seemed more like a hotel. There was no rest, many activities, planned exactly on time, were uninterrupted until our departure time. Additional positive thing about this exchange was the fun character of it, unbelievably, without any lectures.

Everything was just great from the first night on. We went to the welcome party, when we were introduced to each other by singing karaoke and drinking the official drink of the exchange named Mongolians. That is when I realized I would spend a week with wonderful participants and even better hosts.

Next day, we had a busy schedule, filled with ice-skating, where I showed my skills of real Bamby on ice by falling every 2 metres, but Adnan, who probably lied about his first-time-onice story, made our future LC and me proud. After that, paintball, also my discipline was organized. It's not that I



haven't tried to shoot someone, but at the end, I was whole in blue and yellow with a few painful marks on my body. Therefore, for me, paintball was nothing else but PAINBALL.

Luckily, after lovely dinner at the fish restaurant, we had the opportunity to cure our wounds with rakija at the Boat party sailing Danube and had a superrrrb time! Every other day was also great; I constantly wondered where they found all these ideas!

Even though I heard about Belgrade's size and beauty, it is not until now I realized about what people were talking. WONDERFUL!



One of the days, we even had a small excursion. First, we went to Sremski Karlovci, where we visited several museums, among everything, the two most interesting ones - Bee and Wine Museum. Our next stop that day was Novi Sad, another very beautiful city,

and after sightseeing of it and a dinner, we went to kafana. Madness!

For me, one of the most interesting things was a visit to Belgrade



Kalemegdan fortress. We were split into four groups and every group should do several assignments in order to reach the goal destination. The tasks were to find some objects from the pictures and to solve many other riddles and puzzles. Because of the fact that we were punished if

not doing well with the tasks, I got my chance to become a champion of something – being punished! Even though my team got to the aim as the fourth one (not the last one – the fourth one ③), it was very interesting.

Next day, we headed towards Kopaonik Mountain, which was about five hours far away from Belgrade by bus. Before we arrived to the mountain, we visited an archaeological seat, where we even entered underground. It was creepy and dark, but interesting. Afterwards, we visited thermo plant Kostolac and I really don't know what to say about that !!

Our first night at Kopaonik mountain, we had a traditional International night, where everyone should prepare some kind of a national meal. Adnan and I decided to present our country by making cevapcici and everyone adored the idea! We also brought sudzuka, and people from Banja Luka provided us with some homemade rakija.

Tomorrow morning we went to mountain hiking that lasted for four hours. Afterwards, I had no idea if I were dying of tiredness or coldness. Luckily, hosts always found the best cure for us. They tried to make us even more tired – with partying! It was our last night together and everyone was sad for that.

Many of the participants, who also participated in some other exchanges, agreed that this was the best one. I have to say one more time that these were the unforgettable seven days of my life and that I met unforgettable

people. We are still in touch!

One more thing... Feel free not to apply for the future exchanges; I will always be the one to fill in your place<sup>©</sup>!

Thanks a lot to the hosts and Dina, who quitted this exchange and made possible for me to become a participant of GRAB!

Mirela Hamidovic Observer Sarajevo

# LC Bucharest

Year of foundation: 2003

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 70

# **Events organized in 2006:**

#### Official EESTEC events:

- 1),,Home Smart Home", Bucharest, 01-07.05.2006
- 2),,EESTEC Hour", Bucharest, 26.05.2006

## **Local Events:**

- 3) Axway -EESTEC Olympics, 20-21.05.2006
- 4) "EESTech Seminars", Bucharest, 22-23.11.2006
- 5),,Renewable Energy: Actual situation and Perspectives For Romania" Conference, Bucharest, 7-8.12.2006
- 6) Inner Circle of EESTEC, Cheia, 8-10.12.2006
- 7 Axway-EESTEC Olympics Winter Edition, Bucharest, 16-17.12.2006

#### **About us:**

LC Bucharest proved this year that continuity in EESTEC is an issue that can be handled easily. With one workshop and no less than 6 other



events added to our LC's record, we pride on being one of the most active LCs out there. We printed about 200 t-shirts, 800 posters, 15.000 flyers to approach potential members, participants and sponsors. This got us 10 sponsors, about 15 media partners which resulted in around 13.000 EUR worth of funds, which we have not spent but invested in our members:

- One workshop
- Two 24-hour programming contests with 400 participants in the first stage and prizes worth a total of 2800 EUR
- One technical seminar with 14 participating teams and 500EUR grand prize
- One conference to raise awareness about renewable sources of energy
- A huge 4000 EUR-worth weekend called ICE, with trainings for our members



So let's think about it: last year, 3 international events in 2 months. This year, 7 various events. Next year....well...just wait and see. We'll rock your world!

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# **Home Smart Home**

Workshop 1. - 7. May 2006



# Participants:

LC Skopje (5), LC Istanbul (2), LC Craiova (1), LC E. Sarajevo (2), LC Novi Sad (1), LC Belgrade (1).



We were participants of the event "HOME SMART HOME" in Bucharest that has taken place between 30. April - 7. May 2006. The topic was about automation in Smart Houses. The lectures were held by the professors of the Politehnica University of Bucharest and by representatives of Romanian automation

companies. We learned about the new technologies in automation, security and renewable sources of energy. We visited the Smart House in AGIGEA where we saw all the things that we learned during the lectures. The organization was great, our colleagues from Romania were

very friendly, communicative, hospitable...Wearespeechless about the way the things were organized (we mean that in a positive way). About the culture experience we saw all the important monuments and squares with the old buildings where the history was written. We also were at The Village Museum where we could see



the history architecture of the Romanian village houses from the 17th





century up to the beginning of the 20th century which was quite interesting. And last but not least the fun part of the WorkShop in Bucharest. We had a lot of fun in disco club-twice clubbin', karaoke singing, paintball and European Evening when we tried different national food and we must admit that the Romanian

food was especially good. And when we got back home we brought with ourselves beautiful memories from Romania and we'd like to come back there someday.

Elena Mincevska Snezana Teneva LC Skopje, Macedonia

# LC Budapest

Year of foundation: 1986

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# Short description of the LC:

Our LC is one of the most active LCs of EESTEC International. This year we organized a workshop and a summer camp (hosted altogether 36 EESTEC-ers). And we could send almost one representative to every event. But our activity is not limited to clearly EESTEC activity. Our activity in Hungary is to organize professional events for Hungarian students, where they can meet with their foreign colleagues. Such events are the annual 24 hour Programming Contest with 120 participants from all around the world, and an SAP course, where around 50 graduating students can get modern knowledge of SAP system.

Of course we organize motivation weekends for our members (twice a year), and weekly meeting during the semester.

# **Short history of the LC:**

LC Budapest has been active since 1986 at the Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME). The official registration process was completed in the spring of 1991. Our members study electrical engineering and computer sciences at BME.

We have arranged successful exchanges with Austrian, German, Israeli, Belgian, Swiss, Slovenian, Italian, Dutch, French, Spanish, Polish,

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Serbian and Romanian partner organizations, and helped Hungarian students to participate in workshops and professional conferences held in England, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Italy, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Turkey, Poland and Spain. In addition, LC Budapest successfully organized the annual congress of EESTEC in Budapest in 1989, in 1993, in 2002 and is preparing for the next one in 2007.

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# **Summer Camp 2006**

Exchange 22. - 30. July 2006

Webpage: http://eestec.hu/sc2006/ Gallery: http://eestec.hu/gallery/sc06



# Short description of the event's purpose:

Like the last years, LC Budapest organized it's annual Summer Camp, that is getting more and more beloved among Eestec-ers. This year we wanted to do something for our health, so we decided to make a canoetrip on the beautiful Danube. We had a lot of positive responses, that means, our organizer team has did a good job. We hosted 14 participants, and almost 20 organizers were taking part on the event. Together, with the Summer Camp, LC Budapest celebrated it's 20th Birthday! We were glad, that a lot of alumni were present.

# **Short history (timeline) of the event:**

On 22.07. we celebrated our LC's 20th birthday together with almost 70 Eestec-ers!It was a pleasure to us, that so many of you came to us and party with us. We made a slideshow, that concluded the past 20 years of our Committee, it was great to see, how people loved the older pictures!On the next day, we traveled together to Dunakiliti, where we started to build up our tents and get prepared for the next hard days of canoeing. We made a swimming contest, played some football and volleyball, and prepared the food for dinner. The traditional hungarian goulash with the amount of hot pepper made great experiences to the people. The next days were about canoeing all day long, that was a nice exercise for everybody, but we still had the energy to party in the evenings. After three days of canoeing, we travelled to Budapest, and had a sightseeing tour in the city. On the last day, we had to say goodbye to our guests, but we think, they got home with a lot of good feelings, they experienced in our event. We all had a great time together and we will continue organizing the series of our Summer Camps!

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# Cooperation in multicultural environment & computer graphics

Workshop 25. February – 4. March 2006

It began on a rainy Saturday morning...

Having met at the bus station in the cloudy and grey dawn I realised that after an exhausting journey nothing would be more helpful than a short sleep. Who would have thought that maybe it was the last chance during the week;) During the lunch we got together and met all the others (well, almost). In the afternoon we left Budapest to a small village called Tahitotfalu. After we have had a beer the bus arrived and took us to the land where we could feel the presence of the horses by our nose and feet. We spent the night in small houses especially small was the one for us, the organisers, just imagine the feeling while sleeping with 4 friends in one bed, one of them is Akos and probably you remember he is NOT from the smallest type:) But let's go back to the evening!

We played a lot of games to get to know each other, I can say that we had no problem on working this out nor by putting the certain parts of our body to the certain part of the others nor by declaring our love without wearing a smile. But as successful the evolution from amobes to monkeys was to many of us, as quickly we lost these abilities as the night and the beers went on...

In the morning with half-opened eyes, fighting with hangover we learned about the famous Hungarian "early morning wine" tradition presented by Tamas and Domi. This and the glittering snow encouraged us to try bowing and lance throwing, here to highlight Elena the Warrior Queen and Giorgos&"The Back-Right Tyre". During the day we visited the castle of Visegrad where instead of enjoying the beautiful view of the Danube-curve (well there was so thick fog that we had to touch the others

next to us in order to recognize them :) ) we had some snowball-fight, definitely Victor had the advantage up on the walls. Finally we arrived back to Budapest, after spending a few hours outside in the snow, I have to say we weren't cold, because we had the EESTEC Spirit inside (well, maybe something else also:) ) The day ended in a pub, where all of us introduced the drinking habits of our countries. We learned a lot about the life-longing ability of Rakija. And maybe you remember Vlado's joke about the man and the library:)

On Monday the WS part began with a lecture on how we should avoid certain mistakes during grant application. In the second part we learnt a lot of interesting things about rendering. The afternoon was spent by visiting a working nuclear reactor and a wind-tunnel at our university. As every one of us had a lot to prepare for the International Food Evening, we went to the hostel and started to cook meals from our country. As we were a lot, we had to do it separately in two kitchens, but luckily we poured the wine also to two parts... A few hours of hard work made its effect: we found ourselves in a kitchen full of decorative and delicious meals. After each of us had said a few words, stories about them, they vanished in a few seconds to give us power for the rest of the night. In the late evening we got to a place where Bandi, Attila and their band were waiting for us to start playing, which lead to an endless and crazy dancing till the morning.

Maybe that was the reason of the "not so easy" Tuesdays morning. But then we had an amazing lecture on holographic displays presented by the leader of the Hungarian company producing it. We visited the Buda Castle in the afternoon sunshine, climbed up to the Fishermen's Bastion to admire the riverside buildings including the Parliament. The cold weather made us again violate the rules saying "not to drink in public place" and we sang again the well known song beginning with "A jo lovas...". The evening reached us while playing bowling. Who would have said that Jovan would beat us as it was his first game! As most of us had party mood we went to a bar where unfortunately the band just finished playing. Not giving up to continue partying we visited a Drum'n'Bass club and filled it with life.:)



Wednesday morning brought us a presentation on IT careers which I think was one of the bests as she made it interactive and told many vise things that we can use in our future life. This was followed by a lecture on computer graphics with theoretical basics and spectacular parts in the afternoon. After lunch we had a trip, during which a visit to the St. Stephan's Basilica occurred. Hedonism is the word which can describe the dinner and the time spent before in a spa, with trying out all kind of pools having difference in temperature, pulling each others legs in the whirlpool and letting the upcoming bubbles massage our souls. The night's party was at a school club, called "School Club", let me not describe the whole, we enjoyed a lot, especially Drazen's locked-out room-mates:)

On Thursday we had a working session in small groups. The task was to write a real grant application, discuss it with the group and fill in the forms. The success of this exercise will be measured by the successful grant applications by LC-s in the future. In the afternoon guys from our faculty introduced the secrets of Hungarian wines. It was professional (they wouldn't call themselves this way, but we do!) and the wines, some of the bests from our country hmmm... what to say? Well we couldn't tell our feelings, so we "danced about" it. Never was the moisturizing project of Nicola as successful as after an hour of dance.:) This was followed by a party at another university club, and we liked it very much again! If Maya wasn't there we would still miss a bottle of wine, as she encouraged me to get back to the park where we hid it before we went in.:)

The last day of this WS was Friday. We had a pretty good weather for the activity we have chosen. All of us got into the skate-rink with grate braveness, and after a few seconds tried to pick up each other from the slippery ice. Babysteps or a triple-jump, doesn't matter, we enjoyed the EESTEC company including Larisa who could even smile after her great fall...

That's how a wonderful week passed by, 23 strangers at the arrivals and 23 great friends after the farewell party, who we will never forget. Guys, You're welcome back in Hungary any time!

# LC Cosenza

Year of foundation: 1998

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Number of members: 60

# **Events organized in 2006:**

*Mediterranean Adventure*, Cosenza and Calabria sea&mountains, 21-28 May 2006



## About us:

EESTEC LC Cosenza and its new born: this is the title I would give if someone asked me to write an article about our LC.

This year saw the renaissance of LC Cosenza! Many new members, in collaboration with some old members, became very active in the local activities: activation and motivation (multimedial DVD for the presentation of our LC, the *ASI Calendar 2007*, updating the ppt presentation, new movie for promotion), visits to local companies and national job fairs&workshops (*ICT job fair* University of Reggio Calabria – 9th November 2006, and 2-days workshop on *Alternative Energy Resources* in Cosenza), organization of seminars on engineering subjects (they will be held in the middle of March, with the collaboration of the "Ordine degli Ingegneri di Cosenza"), internships (contacting companies and obtained support from the Dean and the Stage Office of the Faculty), job fair organization (probably next October @University of Calabria), publishing of the *MagASIne*!

In January 2007, 38 EESTECers from Cosenza left for *YEPpies (Young European People)* event in Torino to join other 60 EESTECers from all over Europe and other 2000 students from the other European students' organizations. *It was nice to be YEPpies.*.;)



Thanks to the new board of LC Cosenza elected in November, the EESTEC spirit is again present among members of our LC and every weekly meeting becomes an **EESTEC** with party, so many friends full of innovative ideas and willing to work together for the future of

our LC!

Last but not least, the organization of our next event! After 8 successfull events in 8 years, we're preparing a new workshop, about *Alternative Energy Resources* for the last week of May, but we'll come back soon with more details;)

EESTECers.. hope to see you soon in Cosenza!!!
Baci (kisses)..
Francesca Vizzi
CP EESTEC LC Cosenza 2006/07

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# Mediterranean Adventure



Exchange 21. - 28. May 2006

# Participants:

Aachen (1), Athens (6), Belgrade (2), Helsinki (1), Ljubljana (1), Lugano (1), Nis (1), Tampere (2), Zurich (2)

#### Hi EESTECers!

I am Tasos from LC-Athens and this is my attempt to describe to you this fabulous event ... or make you feel nostalgic for it as I do!

17 students from Greece, Slovenia, Finland, Serbia & Montenegro, Switzerland, Germany were the guests, all prepared for sheer holidays with the Italians. As for the organisers, they are a surprisingly good team, they are friends with each other and that's why their next event will be a success too!

So, after our arrival, the Welcome party started in the night and we danced 'till our strengths left us. The next day we attended the Open Ceremony, we saw the University of Calabria and then... it was time for Vanessa's games! I had never imagined how apples, some baking powder and ropes could break the ice between us but they did it thanks to her 'innovative' ideas! In the night we had another great party: the Traditional Calabrian Party... teaching to dance "Tarantella", singing some old songs by means

of Karaoke for the whole night and the morning arrived very soon. Ah!!! We ate calabrian sausages and "ANGURIA" (water melon).

It was just Monday and we had already mixed together, we had fun and



the next days were really promising. On Tuesday morning, we took the bus to Buonvicino village, the place where Ciriaco, The President (!),

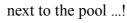


comes from. After we walked through Buonvicino, we went to a beautiful village called Diamante and our first swim for the summer was a fact! We also tasted "caffè alla nocciola di Nini", a particular Italian coffee with nuts cream inside... do you remember it guys?

The next day started with an

interesting (and perfumed ©) visit to the "Callipo" tuna fish factory... where we had to wear hygienic clothes to go inside the factory, which Christoph wore also in the night's party! After our long visit to the factory, we had lunch in Tropea (2nd swim!) and then we went to Pizzo from where I will always remember not only the "Tartufo di Pizzo", a delicious ice-cream, but also some wonderful moments with my beloved Italian(s).

On Tuesday morning, we arrived next to Cecita Lake and Djordje became our personal cook. It was very funny to stay there. We played games all together, ate and drunk... Then, it was the turn of the National Park close to the Lake and in the night at the Irish Pub in Cosenza, we had a great time thanks to our great DJ Alessandro!! Even though the Adventure was about to end  $\odot$ , we went on another excursion on Friday and we spent the night at a hotel. Just to mention the games and the party in and





On Saturday, we came back to Cosenza and in the night we had a great Farewell party! Unfortunately, had to leave at 6 in the morning and I missed the funniest point, the "naked party" (hey guys, you had to inform me in advance, it was worth loosing the ship..!)

All in all, I hope I made clear the reason why I used the word fabulous to describe my experience of this event. For those who are not convinced yet, I would suggest a visit to Cosenza! I'd like to thank the organisers for the excellent hospitality and their friendship. Bravo!

Tasos Vichos Athens

# LC Craiova

Year of foundation: 2004

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 30

## **Events organized in 2006:**

Workshop, Days of Technical Students, 11. - 17. April 2006

#### **About us:**

LC Craiova is member of big EESTEC family since the Congress in Belgrade 2004. The 35 members, from wich 20 are very active, succedeed to organize 2 events until now: an exchange in 2005 & a workshop in 2006, and have big plans for the future. LC Craiova participated in several events and 3 Congresses.

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# Days of Technical Students, 2006

Workshop

11 - 17 April 2006

# Participants:

LC Bucharest (2), LC Athens (2), LC Zurich (1).

Besides eestec participants, we had few guests from the other technical Universities from the biggest cities in Romania (with whom we are planning to develop a strong relationship and maybe, other LC's in Romania)

The first day was the arrival of participants and the accommodation, followed by some sightseeing in the Romanescu Park, which is one of the



biggest in Europe. There we took a ride with the boats on the lake, made pictures and played different games. The next moment was spreading the personal event badges and survival guides (containing the Romanian money, common words, emergency phone numbers and taxi, as well, a

short presentation of Craiova and a small map and the schedule of the entire event ), for making everything easier. After the dinner, the day was ended by the welcome party in a private disco-club.

The second day was the beginning of scientifically part, structured in the opening of the seminar and paper presentations, and in the final part, one of our colleagues showed a small demonstration of his little robot project for school final paper . In the evening, it was the "Festive Dinner" at the University House and a party in a student's club, with different contests (drinking beer, best dance style, the prettiest girl and the ugliest guy).

The next day consisted of a job fair, with firms presentations

and a lot of discussions with their represent ants about old and modern technologies, about the internships and what students and firms have to offer in a tight collaboration. After an exhausting day, the visit to a wine cellar was very welcomed by everyone. The third day ended like all days

with a party in a funky disco.

The fourth day, was the day of visits. We went to the Daewoo automobile factory where we were introduced in the world of the car's fabrication and the technologies used there. After that, the local "beer" factory did the same thing, meaning that we were revealed the



secrets of beer fabrication. As the night started, we went again to party somewhere in the city.

In the fifth day, we woke up everybody very early, and took a bus to a mountain resort. Although we were in the bus for couple of hours, the atmosphere was very noisy and full of laughter and funny songs, and the time passed very fast. Once arrived at the cottage, the accommodation was followed by round table discussions with the topic "Technical sector – present, future". After that, we had a training about "Career Management". After the lecture time, we did some sightseeing in the small mountain city, visited the green places, drank thermal water from 10 different Wales, hoping we'll find one with normal water (which



was a bad idea) and then, back to the cottage where we played different games, and talked about almost everything for knowing each other better. The evening was a perfect time for a "family barbeque" and party until morning...

Sunday, the sixth day, we

went back to Craiova, where we did some sightseeing at the botanique garden, a short visit to the art museum, organized kind of a pool contest and had cocktails in a pub. The night culminated with the traditionally farewell party, at Laura's house, in Craiova. There we changed gifts and had a barbeque and jumping up to workshop conclusions and analyzed the great time we had together.

Monday, it was the departure day, when we helped the participants to take the way back tickets, to train or buses, with the proper farewell and the promises we will see each other at the future eestec events, somewhere in Europe.

## Sorin Vasilescu, LC Bucharest:

"It was my first workshop in eestec, but although it was in my country, I had the opportunity to see what actually eestec organisation represents, and to meet new people to share ideeas and a lot of fun, too. It was a mixed period of lectures and fun; sightseeing and discovering different universitary systems and ideeas. It was also a interesting view concerning big companies and their will to colaborate with technical students and changing ideeas with their representative persons. The parties were also a memorable time, but the words are useless to describe it: you'd better try it personally! I hope to take part to other eestec events in the near future, because this is really worth it!"

# **LC Delft**

#### **Board members:**

Chairman: Tim Velzeboer

Secretary & Treasurer: Tristan Timmermans

Contact Person: Clementia Jesus Ladeira de Abreu

#### **About us:**

The Local Committee Delft has always been a very active LC within EESTEC. Delft was already present in 1963 when Eurielec, the predecessor of EESTEC, was founded. Eurielec also organised workshops and exchanges. The first Eurielec congress was held in Delft and the first chairman of Eurielec was also from Delft. Unfortunately contact faded during the 70's and 80's. This was the reason that the Eurielec project was ended and EESTEC was founded in 1986.

From the beginning LC Delft has organised a lot of activities, such as exchanges with Zurich, Cosenza, Helsinki and Tampere. Of course there have been periods of high and low activity, but thanks to the strong connection with the study guild, the EESTEC spirit never died. LC Delft also organised the congress of 2000, wich was a great success. Because of financial reasons the official seat of EESTEC International has moved from Zurich to Delft.

Since 2004, the LC Delft is a part of the ETV (Electrotechnische Vereeniging) and CH (Christiaan Huygens). This means that all of the members of the LC Delft are members of ETV or CH. ETV and CH are both study guilds. ETV is the guild for Electrical Engineering and CH is the guild for Mathematics and Computer Science. This year the board of EESTEC LC Delft consists of three members: one from the board of ETV (Tim Velzeboer) one from the board of CH (Tristan Timmermans) and the cp is a member of CH (Clementia Jesus Ladeira de Abreu).

The EESTEC activities in Delft are organized by a committee of LC Delft. This committee consists of four members, two from CH and two form ETV. This committee will organise the next exchange to Delft. This year LC Delft will organise a workshop in may.

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# LC East Sarajevo

**Year of foundation:** 1 year observer, 2 years LC

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**Number of members: 38** 

#### **Events organized in 2007:**

Jahorina Winter Exchange 2007, East Sarajevo – Pale, 10. - 17. January 2007

#### About us:

LC E. Sarajevo is relatively young local committee. We are in EESTEC since 2005. Our LC had around 40 members, 10 of them active members. Our LC is mainly focused on recruiting new (younger) members, whit priority for their exchange, especially their first exchange, as we call it "activating exchange". Part of our students considers going to exchanges



a privilege, because of their difficult financial situation. Guided with this fact, our board, before each exchange, announces proposal of possible and the cheapest tour to where event takes place. We also give a short prices review of the most often used products, and their equivalent value in KM.

This way we are trying to make EESTEC more popular, and closer to our students, because EESTEC is like one great, big family.

We have excellent connections whit other student's organizations in Republic of Srpska and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Cooperation whit STELEKS (association of electrical engineers faculty of E. Sarajevo) is top level. Whit theirs help we were able to send few our members on ELETRIJADA 2006 in Ohrid. Also our collaboration whit SSUIS (Student union of University of East Sarajevo which our CP is president) and SURS (Student Union of Republic of Srpska) as greatest and largest student's organization in our country is also good and they are most deserved for getting us recourses. With IEEE we cooperated on professional symposia INFOTEH 2006.

# Short history of LC E. Sarajevo:

LC East Sarajevo became a member of EESTEC on congress in Madrid, in 2005. Our members were on many exchanges since that time, as far (Cosenza, Hamburg, Budapest, Bucharest, Craiova, Athens, Banja Luka, Belgrade, Istanbul, Novi Sad, Rijeka, Ljubljana, Sofia, Podgorica, ...), had a great time, and always wanted to repeat it. After congress in Sofia we've been a little bit lazy and went to events organized by LC-s: Athens, Rijeka, Podgorica, Beograd and Cosenza (YEPpies event in Torino):). We have rigorous rules about that, and make sure of heterogenic structure of the participants we are sending, not to let same people to go on each exchange over and over.

We organized three exchanges, all three took place on Olympic beauty Jahorina, and for future we plane to organize our first workshop. Activity of this LC is not limited only on EESTEC events. In our vicinity we are making EESTEC parties, promotions, as well as camping, and we also helped organization of professional symposia INFOTEH 2006.

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# **Jahorina Winter Exchange 2007**

Exchange

10. - 17. Januray 2007

## Participants:

LC Belgrade (2), LC Novi Sad (1), LC Ljubljana (2), LC Nis (2), LC Podgorica (3), LC Skoplje (2), LC Rijeka (2), Observer Bitola (2).

This exchange should be known as "Crazy Winter Exchange". It was an unforgettable experience for all of us. Participants were mainly from Balkans (LC Belgrade, LC Nis, LC Novi Sad, LC Skopje, LC Rijeka, LC Podgorica, LC Ljubljana and Observer Bitola).

We were lodged in Students' Hotel Koran at Pale. Main part of exchange was held in town Pale, mountain Jahorina and of course, city of Sarajevo.



Everything went great thanks to the host, LC of East Sarajevo, who did a great job organizing this exchange.

As the snow was missing in most parts of Europe this winter, you would think that this wasn't a real winter exchange, but Jahorina was

one of the rare mountains around that actually had real snow. Jahorina is a beautiful olympic center located near capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Sarajevo. We were getting up early in the morning so we wouldn't miss any moment for skiing. Terrains and paths were great and some of us even snowboarded (those were Mališa and the biggest optimist of the exchange, Aleksandra, who learned to snowboard for just a couple of

days). Those who were not skiing just walked around the mountain or sat in the cafes, drinking mulled wine and getting tanned.

We were in visit to Faculty of Electrical Engineering in East Sarajevo one day. We could see labs, classrooms and everything around the



campus. An audience at the dean's office was also organized. After that, we went to one hydro plant near. I found our visit to cave "Orlovača" very interesting. There we could hear a lot of details on how did the cave of that size develop. After that, we went to city of Sarajevo where we spent one afternoon. I was specially impressed by local customs and great food.

At the evenings – parties. Different place each night. Rock caffe in Sarajevo, Studio di Sole – Jahorina, caffes in Pale...and so on, and so on... Unforgettable! For the Ortodox New Year's Eve we were in one caffe in Pale, where the crew from LC Rijeka joined us – the best and the craziest crew of all.



For the International Night at the Hotel, we had live music with a bend. Everyone brought some of their national food or beverages. We had all kinds of music (Macedonian, then music from Croatia...etc). The afterparties were held in room of Macedonians and they lasted till early morning hours. We had

our Čiča, also known as Džaki and three crazy Montenegrians always ready to party. Group from Banja Luka was also in our hotel so it was

even more fun 'cause they joined most of our parties. The night we spent on Jahorina was also fantastic. Bunch of foreigners and of course party 'till morning. And what can I say about farewell party...Not much - I can't remember most of it  $\odot$  but I saw the pictures...drunk and crazy in two words  $\odot$ 

I cannot finish this report without mentioning our hosts who were amazing (Plećo, Nole, Jelena, Slađa, ......). We saw a lot of our old friends and met even more new ones. Once again, thank you for the great time we had

Sanja Stankovic LC Skopje translated by Mališa Vučinić LC Podgorica



# LC Helsinki

Year of foundation: 1994

#### **Bord members:**

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Last Class Tourist: Antti Mattila, atmattil@cc.hut.fi

#### **Number of members:**

~30 active members, all members of our guild (~2000 persons) are entitled to participate in EESTEC activities

## **Events organized in 2006:**

1.-2.4. Excursion to Tallinn (semilocal)

8.-9.4. Easter Games at Otaniemi (local)

16.-18.6. WokShop at Ähtäri (LC Finland)

12.-14.10. WILL on WHEELS all around southern Finland (LC Helsinki,

LC Krakow, LC Tallinn and LC Tampere)

25.11. SeXMAS at Otaniemi (local)

#### About us:

LC Helsinki has been in the heart of EESTEC for a long time. From the first moments when the idea for European wide student organization

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surfaced to this day. Regardless of long traditions and past deeds, situation looked troublesome at beginning of the year 2006. There was no freshman actives and most of the board members were looking for new challenges.



After we recognized this problem we decided to start actively recruit new energetic EESTECers to LC Helsinki by promoting ourselves actively in school, by organizing funny local events and activities for our members and by cooperation with neighbouring LCs.

First months went by as we planned and besides promoting EESTEC we had a lot of fun. At the first possible opportunity, we visited LC Tallinn to get to know

our southern neighbours little bit better. Later this lead to LC Tallinn's participation in WILL on WHEELS—event. Loaded with new fresh ideas we had Easter Games in Otaniemi. Event included Finnish Easter traditions, lot of new people and little bit morning magic. Rest of the spring went quickly as we waited for annual WokShop event where we would meet EESTECers from other LCs in Finland.

During WokShop Anna came up with an idea of a bus tour through Finland with a good will included. organize Plan was to that in cooperation with LC Tampere. Idea intriguing that SO we immediately started preparations for WILL on



WHEELS —event under firm lead of Anna. When the autumn came we started the engine and headed for an adventure. And boy, did we have fun!

After the WILL on WHEELS —event we had lot of potential new active members for our LC, but we still needed to lure them into our group. And of course we wanted also to have a good party. So we decided to have SeXMAS —prechristmas party and to invite especially everybody who participated in WILL on WHEELS. Party was almost too popular but fortunately we had astronomical amounts of Feuerzangenbowle and everybody got into Xmas mood. And we "recruited" lot…

Now after fabulous year of 2006 and in the beginning of more interesting year 2007, I have to conclude that last year was a success story with it up's and down's. Now we have many fresh board members, new international event under planning and still lots of fun! For all this we have to thank our "mother" organization Guild of Electrical Engineering, sponsoring companies and associations (Ensto, Onninen, Hartwall, Sylva and Teekkarikulttuurin tuki ry), all active members and of course, all EESTECers around Europe. EESTEC Spirit!

Anssi Hakkarainen, Chairperson 2006

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### **EESTEC WILL on WHEES**

Exchange 12. - 14. October 2006 by LC Helsinki and Tampere



### Ingredients

2 happy fellows from LC Krakow
6 from LC Tallinn
12 from LC Tampere
27 from LC Helsinki
1 bus
3 companies
1 amazing party
scenery of Southern Finland
good will and charity work

### **Background**

Under the great summer sun in Finland, LCs Helsinki and Tampere got not only sun burned but also an idea about how to activate Finnish LCs and try something completely new to attract more people in EESTEC activities. WokShop 2006 gave birth to a concept of a 3-day-trip, free for all its participants but still full of action and experiences. EESTEC WILL on WHEELS got its name after the purpose of the whole event: to travel around the South of Finland by a rent bus having fun and then doing a good will action, thus charity work in the center of Helsinki.

### Singing and fancy toilet seats

On Thursday the 12th of October, 29 EESTECers from Helsinki, including Jakub&Jakub – the Polish reinforcements, plus 6 girls and guys from LC Tallinn packed their selves in a bus and started the journey. The bus took the group first to Onninen, which is the second biggest wholesale dealer of electrical gadgets in Finland. Onninen has also markets in Sweden, Norway, Poland, Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, so



the representatives had the business sense for our foreign guests and their countries as well. In Onninen we first got the see their express sales unit and a fine gallery including ready solutions for home bathrooms, saunas etc. Some counted that there were over 20 different toilet seats to be seen! Then they

took us to their headquarter where we heard more about the logistics and human resources, e.g. how to get to work there. The climax of the visit was, of course, the dinner and a great amount of wine afterwards. One could say that it was a very well planned excursion and they were very tolerant to our singing and everything. Actually, they even sent email afterwards asking if we could perform in a party of their company in a month or so:)

The trip continued to Tampere, where their LC had a sauna warm and beer cold for us. Interesting was also to get to play curling on the nearest parking plot. When you add in the equation old EESTEC farths Jaska and Raipe and even an older farth Hapo the result was of course less than 2 hours of sleep before taking off the morning. But it was well worth it!

### Freshening up with drinks and swimming

Next morning the bus took us to Lahti, to Hartwall, a Finnish refreshment drink manufacturer with a wide selection of different non-alcoholic and alcoholic drinks such as beer, cider, long drinks. An energy bunny gave us first an insight to the markets and answered to our weirdest questions (for some reason there happened to be many of them concerning refreshments...). The she took us through the full-automated factory and let us taste some of their specialities. All this happened within an hour, so you can understand were she got the name Energy Bunny.

The rest of the day was spent in Porvoo as guests of Ensto. Ensto is one of the most remarkable Finnish providers of electrical systems and solutions and it has also local offices and customers in 16 other countries. In Ensto we heard about Cuboctics, which is a new and flexible concept



for dealing with enclosures. The president of the board of the company also shared with us her views about good leadership and the features of family-owned-companies. One especially unforgettable encounter was with the founder of the company, who wanted give us some of his old wisdom

and tips for the future. The evening was spent at Ensto's private pool pavilion with water games, sauna, good food and refreshments. I think everybody thought there couldn't have been a better way to relax after three company visit and a lot of kilometres on a bus. But the adventure wasn't even close to finish. The trip continued again early next morning.

### The heavier the better

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and last day was something we had been curiously waiting for. It was time to head back to Helsinki and get in charity action. From an organization for kids and teens who have cancer, we got official boxes for collecting money for young cancer patients. And so we ran to the city to carry through the mission. We had a special technical student type of an aim: to collect so much money that we could afford buying DVD-players for 10 rooms in the cancer clinic section, where the patients have to spend weeks in quarantine. We set the goal in 2000 euros. Collecting money was made more appealing with a little game: we would measure the weigh of every box and the heaviest would be awarded.

### 26 141 grams of good will

We collected all together 26 141 grams of money, where the heaviest box was 3 557 grams. The box was so full that it wasn't possible to fit any more money in there! In cash that was 2649,68 euros (plus one air balloon, a paving stone and a rose..), so over 600 euros over the goal. With that money it was possible to get digiboxes for the whole section

as well. We had promised not only to pay for the gadgets but also buy, install and write easy manuals to them so it after the event it still took some weeks before all the work was done.

The money wasn't the only thing that was earned during the day but doing something good for others gave both the collectors and the donors good mood and joy. It was nothing better than seeing the collectors gathering back together after 4 hours with their cheeks red and mouths with a smile. If you don't believe me, try it yourself! And if you do, there's even more reason to try it!



### Ultimate party time

Even though the bus was sent away after the charity campaign, EESTEC WILL on WHEELS wasn't still over. There was still left an ultimate party for all the participants and other technical student for free. Music in the party was

taken care by Paleface, a front row rap artist in Finland and one has to say that there's hasn't been a party like that in the campus before! The dance floor was full of crazy moves from the beginning till the end of the night and the party got praise and amazement from various visitors.

### **Epilogue**

Even though there were those, who did not believe that it would be possible to pull through a 3-day-event for free and also do something good at the same time, WILL on WHEELS came true better than we expected. Thanks to all sponsors who not only gave us money but also let us get to know their business and fed us well, we did not need to worry about the costs but we could just concentrate on learning new things, getting to know each other, having fun and letting good things circle. I think WILL on WHEELS just gave an additional meaning for the words "EESTEC spirit".

Emmi Rautkylä

### LC Istanbul

Year of foundation: 2006

### **Board members:**

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### Number of members:

Total 80 members with more than 25 are active and 10 are alumni.

### Events organized in 2006:

EESTEC Chairpersons' Meeting 2006, 5. - 11. November 2006

### **About us:**

When we turn back past and consider the previous year, it is obvious that 2006 was a long year for EESTEC LC Istanbul. First of all in the Annual Congress in Sofia, EESTEC Observer Istanbul turned to EESTEC LC Istanbul. So we were more motivated and also after our first WS Get Mobile, we had been more powerful in our faculty. New members were eager to join us. Then in summer period again a lot of active members graduated. As the new semester started, freshmen conquered LC Istanbul, and meetings were louder, younger and more energetic, and they were calling former members as "old ones" and these "old ones" calling them as "kindergarten". After joining a lot of workshops abroad, making two elections in a couple of months, organizing ECM 2006 and starting to

work on a new WS Electronic Vehicles and Robotics, we understood that we cannot live without each other.

Now we are a big family, keeping on making weekly meetings, still in collaboration with Istanbul Technical University IEEE Student Branch and thanks to that we have official recognition from faculty and university and we have an additional collective effort in our organizations. We are more well-known when we compare to previous year, so our relationship is better with professors and they are more helpful this year.

We had been one of the most active Observer Committees last year and now we want to be one of the most active LC's. We will keep on working on making our non-active members more related with EESTEC and finding new ones by showing presentations and organizing special meetings.

Our primary aim is to develop international contacts, to achieve technical and social improvement for our members, in addition to helping them to improve their organization capabilities.

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### LC Kraków

**Year of foundation:** 1986

### **Bord members:**

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Vice-chairmen: Lukasz Bogdan, bogus@student.agh.edu.pl

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**Number of members:** Around 25 members, 15 of them are active

### Events organized in 2006:

No events organized

### **About LC Krakow:**

During the 2006 we have participated in following events: Next Generation Telecommunications, 20th EESTEC Congress, Intercultural Competence, Bytes Talk, GRab Autumn In Belgrade.

In November 2006 our board has been changed and we started to prepare to event, which is planned in May 2007. We are still in tuch with old board and exchanging expiriences. Most of these people will graduate in 2007 so we are trying to enroll new members doing regular meetings.

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### LC Linköping

Year of foundation: 2004

### **Board members:**

Chairman: Carl-Fredrik Arndt, carar492@student.liu.se Contact person: Petter Säby, petsa060@student.liu.se

### **Number of members:**

8 active, about 50 in total

### **Events organized in 2006:**

No events organized

### About us:

At the moment, EESTEC LC Linköping is a part of the international committee of the electrical engineerings and applied physics guild at the university. The committee is working on integrating foreign and local students, and promoting studies abroad among the local students. LC Linköping has been



"on ice" for the last year, but is now trying to resume our work. We are



currently only looking on arranging workshops and finding sponsors for that. Teambuilding and all other group dynamics work is handed over to the international committee.

Sponsorship for international events is very difficult to achieve in Sweden

at the moment, which is the reason to why we try to engage as many local students as possible into our events (half of the participants or more).

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## LC Ljubljana

**Year of foundation:** 1986

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### **Number of members:**

67 all 25 active 12 new

### **Events organized in 2006:**

7 Days of Industrial Robotics (7IR) – Ljubljana, 5.3 - 12.3. Plone My Web (PMW) – Ljubljana, 20.10. - 29.10. Telecommunications connect Everything (TCE) – Ljubljana, 22.10 - 29.10.



### About us:

In 2006 we organised 3 workshops and an exchange. The first one in March was about robotics.

But most of our work was concentrated in October, when

we simultaneously organised 2 workshops, an exchange for students from Belgrade, whom we took to Slovenia's nuclear power plant, and we also celebrated our LC's 20th anniversary. We packed it all together and called it 'EESTEC week'.

One of the two workshops was on programming, oriented towards

building a new website for EESTEC int. The second one was about telecommunications. The whole workshop took place at the Slovenian fair of innovations, 'Hevreka', where we also took the opportunity to present our work and to get in touch with possible future sponsors. A part of the promotion was also the



anniversary. In addition to our LC members and workshops participants, we also had participation from many representatives of Slovenian companies.

On a local scale we are cooperating with AEGEE on promotion for attracting new members.

As soon as EESTEC week was over, we already started planning our next workshops, which will come in 2007.

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# 7 days of Industrial Robotics (7IR)

Workshop 5. – 12. March 2006

### Participants:

Observer candidate Maribor (3), LC Athens (2), LC Beograd (2), LC Craiova (2), LC Wroclaw (2).

To begin with: my name is Alin Meleandra and I am a 5th year student at the University of Craiova and also a member of the EESTEC Craiova



LC. Between 5th and 12th of March I have taken part in the workshop entitled "7 Days of Industrial Robots" and I've been very much impressed of the things I saw there. The people from LC Ljubljana managed to make us feel like home. The accommodations for the "foreigners" were great and I really

have to give my thanks, again, to the organizers of the workshop. I hope and think that their hard work eventually paid off.

### In the end impressions:

A. Technical impressions: being a student in 5th year and also having robotics as my specialization I am pretty much familiar with industrial robots and the way they work. However what I have seen in Ljubljana did manage to surprise me. The lectures on Monday were simply efficient; they helped the younger students to understand the mechanics and the logic of the robots. We had 9 different exercises on robots.

1. Exercise on Staubli: it gave us a good understanding on how to control with pin-point precision the TCP of a robot using a 3D infrared Optotrak system.

- 2. Machine vision and SCARA robot Epson: this one was one of the most interesting exercises we've made, because it gave us the possibility to see the way robots can interact with image recognition system just like in industry. For me it was a good opportunity to learn new things about image recognition using the Matlab software package.
- 3. Computer Robot Soccer: this exercise was by far the greatest of all, I have nothing to describe it better than that.
- 4. Multimove: showed us how two robots can work synchronized, and we also had the chance to carve our initials on stirodur cubes.
- 5. Navigating the robot with the FlexPendant: there we had the chance to show our skills with the joystick, my years as a gamer paid off...
- 6. Simulation software.
- 7. Lids opening with external axis: this was very cool because we proved that industrial robots can be used as bar-tenders.
- 8. Printed circuit board vias drilling with the robot assistance: I wish I had a similar structure back home, it would have made my work a lot easier.
- 9. Offline robot programming using Rotsy.

These were all of our exercises. As I said they were all great because they were each related to a different thing and you didn't have the chance to get bored. Also the fact that ABB and Motoman helped with the organization of the workshop



has made things more interesting because it gave us the chance to talk to their engineers and to learn things directly from them. I was also impressed to see the latest industrial robots and controllers.

B. NON technical stuff impressions: The EESTEC-ers from Ljubljana tried their best to keep us busy and active. So we didn't have the chance and/or the time to get bored. The city rally gave us the opportunity to site-see a beautiful city and every night an other party in a new place, we had a lot of fun what else can I say?.



**Conclusions:** the 7 days I have LIVED in Ljubljana I will never forget just like the wonderful people I met there. I will graduate this year so I don't know if I am going to take part in any exchange from now-on but one thing is for sure - I would really like to see you all again.

Alin Meleandra LC Craiova

# Plone My Web (PMW)

Workshop 20. – 29. October 2006



### Participants:

LC Madrid (2), LC Novi Sad (2), LC Skopje (2), LC Belgrade (1), LC Trieste (1), LC Zurich (1).

The trip begun on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> of October, at 8 am in Madrid, at Barajas airport. We were two Spanish participants traveling to Ljubljana. We took the first flight to London at 10.20 am, where we arrived at about 12.30 p.m. After changing airport and spending some pounds in London, we took another flight from London to Ljubljana, where we arrived at about 8 pm. There were 2 days left to the beginning of the workshop and we

spent them on visiting the city.

From the first day, we stayed in "Alibi Hostel". It was a nice place, with a room for all participants of the workshop (there were twelve). The focus of the workshop, besides the lectures and seminars on Plone, was the creation of a **Plone** 

**product** through the teamwork of the participants, both foreign and Slovene. It started on 23<sup>rd</sup> of October and ended on 30<sup>th</sup> of October. Those

days where full of team work between participants of several countries.

From the very beginning of the workshop, we started a learning process of Plone at the computer science faculty in Ljubljana. Those days were full of work until almost midnight, even though we had some free time at least for discovering new cocktails from the participants. The focus of the learning process was to get the basic ideas about Plone and Zope content management system, so that after 3 days we made some teams and started developing a Plone product, based on python scripts. Each team developed some part of the product, in order to optimize the time we had and then put it all together in the last session. This product was about the description of an EESTEC event, and was created for the new website of EESTEC International.

Of course we spent a night with sponsors and wine producers of the whole country. The party ended with great music and a delicious cake with the name of the association, which celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. In general,

as days were full of work, nights were full of party. We came over several places which I can't remember since I was so drunk:)

At the last weekend we left Ljubljana for going to a small holiday resort very close to Croatia, where we stayed in a Hotel with rooms



for about 6 people. Here we found plenty of time for several sports, such as football, tennis or mountain biking. At night we had party in a nice place close to the hostel, although the neighbours didn't like it and called the police in order to stop it. After that crazy weekend of big parties and good atmosphere between the people, the workshop ended and we came back to Ljubljana in order to take a train to Madrid.

The trip to Madrid was a little bit more uncomfortable. We were supposed



to take a train from Ljubljana station to Venecia at 2 am on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October, but actually we didn't since the train was 3 hours late at the station. Then the arrival time at Venecia was 11 am approximately, so we had about 6 hours for visiting the city before leaving to Madrid. Finally, we arrived to Madrid at 8 pm, very tired because of the long trip, but happy since we had a great time. All I have to say is thank you to all LC Ljubljana and congratulations for the workshop.

Gustavo Martinez Barbero, LC Madrid

# Telecommunications connect Everything (TCE) 22. - 29. October 2006

"Tour of the nuclear power plant Krško".

The event in Ljubljana was kind of journey from impossible to a wonder. I think it was same for both sides; me and the organizers. After solving visa problems at the last moment, the problem for me was to find a free place in the plane which could happen just 10 minutes before the travel agency was closed; such a big luck. On the organizers side, they were organizing three events at the same time, not something ordinary for EESTEC; first "Plone My Web" (PMW) workshop for EESTEC International web

project, "Telecommunication Connects Everything" (TconnectE) and

There were around 20 participants from EESTEC for TconnectE, around 15 participants from EESTEC for PMW, around 80 students from Serbia for the Tour of the nuclear and the crazy Spanish crew, taking revenge of the Sunny Spain:) With the organizers it was all the time crowded and fun. It was a great opportunity to meet many people from EESTEC and amazing LC Ljubljana people.

I was the participant of TconnectE workshop, who had such a luck to be able to manage to get to Ljubljana on time. After I was picked up

from the airport, on the way to the city, mount Triglav, which is also situated on Slovenian map, greeted me before the city of Ljubljana. The view of the city was great, just the perfect balance of technology, people and history with the amazing Ljubljanica river. It was so memorable in Slovenia, which is really well developed country, how they commemorate



their important musicians, poets and writers; statues and squares of them, even their pictures on the money unlike many countries putting their politicians' pictures there.

First view I had of the city impressed me a lot and furthermore increased my

expectations from this event :) But later on at the end of the workshop, I had to admit that during the event I got more than I had expected before; a great event with many gracious people from EESTEC and organizers from Ljubljana in such a wonderful small country.

The main idea of TconnectE was to take place as EESTEC members in "Hevreka!06" which is the main Slovenian event in the field of

innovation. The main role of Hevreka was to bring the government, business and non-governmental organizations together and LC Ljubljana was offering opportunity to EESTEC members to take place in this fair.



Each participant of the

workshop made searches about the ICT companies in their own countries and took information about them to share in Hevreka06! with other possible companies. Information about different companies from different

countries were used in the projects participants made during the workshop. As a result, there were 4 project groups of the participants in which they figured new ideas out by combining the information and technology of the companies they took from their own countries and the companies they found in the fair. All the groups presented their impressing ideas at the end of the working schedule of the workshop.

The fun part of the event was divided into two parts: in Ljubljana and in a town in the mountains. In Ljubljana we had a city rally to get to know the details about the city and to get closer with the participants, had parties every night which didn't let us sleep 'till morning and filled our veins with alcohol while feeding us with joy and friendship.

On Thursday, the day before leaving Ljubljana for the weekend trip, we had the most important part of the event; 20th anniversary of EESTEC LC Ljubljana which was celebrated by the participation of the EESTEC people who came to Ljubljana for PMW & TconnectE, LC Ljubljana members and honorable people of LC Ljubljana from their committee and faculty.

The end of the workshop was the weekend trip on the mountains close to Croatian border of Slovenia. Bus, full of people, and many cars went together to have the fresh air of mountains by enjoying EESTEC all together. There were opportunities of different activities like rafting, paintball, tennis, riding and many more during the day and parties at nights. The level of parties rose up so much that neighbors of the area were disturbed but this was not enough to prevent EESTECers to have more fun.

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### LC Madrid

**Year of foundation:** 1986

### **Bord members:**

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Number of members: 51, active 12

### **Events organized in 2006:**

NGT Workshop, Madrid (26 March - 2 April) Sunny Spain Reloaded, La Manga (17 - 24 July)

### **About us:**

Co-founder member of EESTEC, LC Madrid is at this moment the only LC in Spain. Our faculty has a dedicated area for student associations of various topics, such as sports, music, theater, mountain, electronics. One of this rooms, of about 35 sq.m., forms LC Madrid "headquarters".

There you will find a few linux powered pcs, an electronics post with polymeters, power sources, oscilloscope, etc, TV, fridge, microwave, sofas... and a bunch of friendly people trying to ruin your life offering

greater ideas than going to class.



We celebrate a couple of big parties each year, both at the beginning of the year. One is the presentation of the clubs to the new students of the faculty, and it's the craziest. The other one is the celebration of the sacred day of San Teleco, the saint patron of our Holy See.

We are in close relation with both faculty and professors, to the extent that it's not wierd to see some respectable professor appear in some party :) The faculty, and specially the university is always glad to participate in some way or another in our events.



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# New Generation Telecommunications NGT

26. March – 2. April 2006

The Next Generation Telecommunications took place in Madrid from the 26<sup>th</sup> of March to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April. The 24 participants from 13 Local Comittees (Nis, Athens, Novi Sad, Zurich, Budapest, Munich, Belgrade, Istambul, Sofia, Cosenza, Krakow, Lisbon and Rijeka) arrived full of energy to Madrid, unconscious of the hard week ahead.

On Monday, Guillermo Cisneros, the Director from ETSIT (Telecommunications Faculty) and José Manuel Páez, Vice-Chairman for International Relationships of the Polytechnical University of Madrid officially opened the Workshop in the morning. Afterwards, we had the opportunity to visit the ISOM (Institute for Systems

based on Optoelectronics and Microtechnology) laboratory placed in the faculty too, where they build microchips in a 400 m<sup>2</sup> cleanroom.

The chance to rally around the city was offered that afternoon, when, divided into groups, participants were given some tasks to develop.



Some typical food from the north of Spain was arranged for them to recover their energies lost during the 4 hours walk.

The following day lectures started. Two representatives from Motorola gave a conference about Wimax Seamless Mobility, IP Multimedia Subsystems(IMS) and Multimedia Capabilities, giving us a deep view of the topic, including some of the basis of SIP (Session Initiation Protocol) and its advantages.

Then our trip to one of the most special places started. After one hour of resting in the bus, we arrived to Robledo de Chavela, a beautiful village close to the mountains of Madrid. Enormous antennas spread all over a 47 ha area surrounded by charming green paths were waiting for us. The station belongs to the NASA and is one of the only three in the world in charge of the communications with satellites and space crafts for their missions in outer space. We entered the visitors' centre where we saw several videos which explained their past and current missions throughout the Solar System, and the telecommunication procedures involved. One of the employees was so kind as to answer all our questions for more than one hour while we walked through the antennas really enjoying his explanations.

On Wednesday it was time to think about the obstacles the Information



Society involves for millions of people in the world who have physical, sensory or cognitive disabilities as well as age, or socio-economical limitations. During the morning we had one lecture about Digital Home technologies and new devices thought to make life easier for all joining telecare,

security and communications solutions with a simple interface to users. In the afternoon we talked about Web Accessibility, including rules and standards which help to program full access web pages.

At night we had special dinner: Galician food and traditions (Galicia is a region of Spain situated in the North-West coast, on top of Portugal, with ancient Celtic influence and a very peculiar fishing atmosphere). After tasting the delicious meal, the owner of the restaurant, a pure Galician man, made a typical liquor for us and set fire to it while reciting by heart the usual speech to attract witches, demons and evil spirits to get them burned inside the fire. "Believe it or not, witches exist".

On Thursday we visited Telefónica R+D, where we went inside a Domotic Home and could learn its operation and possibilities. Some leisure time came along before lunch to enable museums visits, and in the afternoon we could enjoy another interesting visit, but not technical this time...The soccer stadium Santiago Bernabeu, stronghold of Real Madrid Football Club, one of the biggest stadiums in Europe, with one of the most impressive museum of trophies.

The following morning another two experts taught us about Innovation and Free Software Nowadays, to complete our vision of the near future with regard to the Information Society and the Telecommunications market.

That afternoon another bus trip led us to the countryside in order to have a relaxed weekend after such an intense week. The place: Gascones, a little village 80 km from Madrid; the hosting: six lovely wooden cottages joined together in a spacious rural house; the aim: enjoy altogether EESTEC spirit; the activities: sightseeing, singing, dancing and once again spanish traditions. The best end for a full week in Madrid.

# Sunny Spain Reloaded 2006 + [ES-ES] Exchange

17. - 23. July 2006

It was the second time these guys where making it, and they went for a bigger one! 35 participants plus 16 organizers during one week in one of the coolest hotest places you can find in Spain during the summer.



The trip began in Madrid, where little by little the participants arrived from even one week before the event, since it was the easiest way to get to spain by plane, bus, train, etc from abroad in direct trip. There we could experience 24/7 city life, just like we are used to in EESTEC!

When day 17 arrived, we got on a bus and made the 500km that separate Madrid in the center to the south east coast where a vast amount of water broke into the land forming the 'almost' inner sea called "Mar menor" (Lesser Sea).

Once there, we were picked from La Manga bus station to a vast camping area by the beach, where we started to set our tents.

It was supposed to be calm and quiet, when we heard this loud beats

getting closer and closer to the camping, and suddenly two vans crowded with slovenians invaded this little holiday town. It was the other event inside the event, the so called España – Eslovenia exhange, or [ES-ES].

The spanish guys showed some



efficiency after all and managed to build something like a common area where they stored the kitchen and mensa, all covered by a huge set of meshes that threw the shade necessary not to grow a skin burn during daylight. After that they prepared dinner for 50 people in less time than expected and called us. When we were deciding which stone to put our asses on, just like the year before, the spanish guys gave us 50 colorful



folding chairs that where double enjoyed by the normal participants, first because they weren't so uncomfortable, and also seeing how the biggest guys broke them straight to the floor in 10 seconds.

During the week we had the oportunity of giving recognition to a great ex-chairman, to go to a foam party and meet Don Pietro (a dangerous Cappo from Sicily), to honour the hosts with tons of presents from our homes and to get in exchange some fancy t-shirts, and sit by the sea at night between fire and sangría.

The two main activities of the week were eating and drinking, and after those, the other two were the Sea Sports (TM) and visiting "The Cool Beach". We learned or practiced Windurf, kayak, pedal for hours and enjoyed the views in a mountain surrounded wild and vast mediterranean beach, delighting our eyes with the contrast of green mountains, golden sand and deep blue sea.

But we keep our best memories from the people we shared this summer with, and we hope they do too. Hope to c'ya in Sunny Spain Revolutions 07!!

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### LC Munich

**Year of foundation:** 1999

### **Board members:**

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**Number of members:** 12 + 4 Alumni

### **Events organized in 2006:**

Intercultural Competence 2006 (ICC 06)

#### About us:

Year 2006 / 2007 was a year of generation change and revitalistion of LC Munich.

Chronological in the following way:

Right after coming back from the congress we organized the second edition of our workshop: Intercultural Competence 2006. Which was full of tons of work, stress but on the other hand lots of joy and it payed back.

In the summer we passed a bit and only visited the other LCs to regain our strength. At the beginning of the new term, we recruited 6 new members who are now in the facilliation process and are



slowly taking over. In about the same time we also started to organize a new event which most probably take place in May. We are currently deligently doing our fund raising and are looking forward to welcome in our LC Munich

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# Intercultural Competence 2006 – ICC 06



Workshop 20. - 28. May 2006

**Participants** 

LC Nis (2), LC Zürich (1), LC Athens (2), LC Istanbul (1), LC Novi Sad (1), LC Budapest (1), LC Craiova (2), LC Krakow (2), LC Skopje (2), LC Bucharest (2), LC Hamburg (1), LC Belgrade (2), LC Banja Luka (1).

As globalisation is still one of the huge tasks engineers have to master, we decided revive the last years topic: **Intercultural Competence** 



From the 20th to 28th of May EESTEC LC Munich held its second big workshop with 19 participants: 8 girls and 11 boys. As in the previous year, we held the working sessions in cooperation with the Carlvon-Linde Akademie and with Texas Instruments as our main sponsor. Other supporters were

the alumni organisations EIKON e.V and the Bund der Freunde der TUM, an association dedicated to supporting activities around our university.

Begin of the event were the common start-up welcome party. Still very tame, you were all tired and didn't know each other. Some boys and girls started getting to know each other a bit more "closely". The party climax were the Foam Party. Everbody wet, drunk and some topless dancing till sunrise. Hope nobody caught a cold in our freezing summer weather. Our participants also got a chance to explore Munich and Bavaria. A mountain hike in sunny weather, a creative city ralley and a guided tour through the collection of the German Museum let our guests experience

some of our sights. Of course there where also visits to some typical German restaurants and a tour through Munich's nightlife. Despite the bad weather, the participants had a great time and gave us some great feedback. And one great fellow were the bottle of beer. Beer on mountains, beer in lockers, beer in the Fachschaft. Did I mention that our very own

university-brewery sponsored us with 100 litres of beer?

One of official highlights was our visit to our main sponsor, Texas Instruments. The visit included a tour of the production facilities, lectures and a presentation of trainee programs and job



opportunities. The topics of the lectures ranged from the challenges for a global company, organisation and logistics to the job profile of a field application engineer. Several students from the university joined us for this very interesting visit and got a change to learn more about EESTEC LC Munich and Texas Instruments.

The working sessions were focussed on the subject of recognizing and acting on cultural differences in professional and private meetings. We



were also encouraged to identify our own cultural and social environment and present it to the other participants. The lectures and activites were held by Dr. Stehr, a specialist on inter-human communication, while rooms and organization were arranged by the Carlvon-Linde Akademie. This was very useful workshop for anyone who plans to work in multicultural environment. We learned there how to accept and understand cultures different form ours, and that the key for

that understanding lies in our own knowledge about that cultures and respecting of our mutual differencies.

Looking back, we consider this workshop a great success for our young LC. Despite the difficulties connected to a workshop of this size, we had excellent teamwork and good communication within the team. The experience from the last events (Intercultural Competence '05, TUNIX Exchange 2004) was used to ensure a consistent and robust program structure. Younger EESTEC members were able to learn from us and were introduced to the typical structure of an EESTEC workshop. Apart from knowledge, new friendships and many impressions the participants received a positive picture of Munich, our university and our Sponsors.

Remarkably, most of our guests were for the first time on an EESTEC Event. We are glad that we had the chance to introduce them to the "Spirit of EESTEC". They left our workshop as motivated and active members of EESTEC and we are sure to see them around for many more years. To put it in a nutshell nobody left sober and without friends. Maybe some had a nice hangover the next morning.

Apart from the members of EESTEC LC Munich our gratitude goes to Texas Instruments, the EIKON e.V. and the Bund der Freunde. Our special thanks go to: Dr. Finkbein, of the EIKON e.V., Dr. Wetzler of the Carl-von-Linde Akademie and our lecturer, Dr. Stehr.

### LC Niš

### Year of foundation:

2001

#### **Board members:**

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**Number of members:** 60, 35 active

### Event organized in 2006:

Modern Web Technologies, Nis, Serbia, 15-22.10.2006 www.itseminar.org

### **About us:**

LC Niš became a member of EESTEC in March 2001, during the Congress in London. Since then we have grown into organization with over 40 members. And in the past couple of years we organized several

successful exchanges. It sure sounds like 'hard work' - and it is. But we enjoy doing it. A lot of students from different European countries, who were our guests can tell you about our hospitality and "southern spirit". We organized plenty of parties especially for



them and we took them to the places which represent our city and our country in the best way. Last year our LC was organizer of the biggest IT event in South Serbia. It was quite a huge bite, because we had to pull together. That was our test and we passed it. All our members were glad to take part in organization. We were and still are such a great team. Our IT seminar was supported by many influent people in city. Our major sponsors were Microsoft and EESTEC INTERNATIONAL. We also had great cooperation with others organizations such as AISEC, IAESTE, 3D arheologija, Milenijum...

In the end, we proved ourselves that we are capable of organizing such

a big event and we are ready for new challenges.

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### Modern WEB Technologies 2006

Workshop

15. – 22. October 2006

### Participants:

LC Skopje (3), LC Rijeka (2), Observer Sarajevo (1), LC Zurich (1), LC Sofia (4), Observer Patras (2), LC Athens (1), LC Istanbul (2), LC Ljubljana (1)



"But not only the taste of the food, nor the view, it is again and again, friendship that made us to have such a great fun... It was just few hours since we met LC Nis, but I felt as I have known them for years." Okan, Istanbul

not be explained in words." This is the sentence of my whole trip to Serbia Nis with LC Nis. First, when our chairperson Ömür (during the organization "Mobile Web technologies") said me that, "Okan would you like to go to Serbia, Nis? "I first thought about Oooo Serbia? Strange... I knew nearly nothing then, before my trip. And for having an adventure, I told "let's try it!" to myself. We had a flight from Istanbul to Belgrade, and then Nis with bus. The thing I was thinking about in the bus, was what would happen during that trip. From the first second we arrived in Nis, it was all beautiful. It was such beautiful that can not be explained in words. It was not beautiful because of historical places, it was not beautiful because of the parties and it was not beautiful because of the courses, city rallies. It was beautiful, honestly more than beautiful because of the friendship. From the first day, in fact fist night:) we saw the friendship. It was just few hours since we met LC Nis, but I felt as I have known them for years.

After welcome party, in the morning the thing that we said each other with my friend Ozz, was "today is the first day, but from now on, I'd like it won't finish..."

During the organization, there were lectures, which really made us to learn about new systems like Java - XML combination and marketing on the web. Each lesson was well organized, not short and not long to bore people. It was all fine. After lectures, there was funny organizations,

trips, barbeque and else else else

Once we had barbeque, it was of course funny like all other things, with the view of Nis. But not only the taste of the food, nor the view, it is again and again, friendship that made us to have such a great fun. Which word more



than friendship can explain their preparing special food just for us after barbeque or the goodbye party last night. Or the boy over bicycle at the bus station to who came from his course for just saying us "see you".

The thing, I learned first about my little trip was how much common things we have. It was a country in a position, so close to mine and so far in mind. People, lifestyle, friendship and more more... Maybe the spirit of eestec, maybe the drinks, maybe people, maybe Nis, maybe LC Nis. I don't know how or why? Why it is so beautiful, why I felt like I knew people for years, how we had such a good time or how we are still alive after such drinks. But I can understand, for each second of in life, the best time in my life... It was there, it was by the agency of Eestec, but most important it was by the agency of LC Nis.

Thank you Eestec, thank you LC Nis...

"All jokes apart all in all it has been the best holiday I have ever had." Fillipos, Athens

Report on the event by no other than the jerk from Athens, aka Filippos Glaros.

Arriving on the train station we were greeted by a bunch of scary guys. Was it not for the ladies there I would have run for my life. The scariest of all volunteered to drive us to our homes. Later on he proved to be a great

"pacenik", but that is another story. By the end of the day most, if not all the participants had arrived in Nish. And guess what: there was a welcome party (you didn't see that coming now, did you?).

A point worth mentioning here is that instead of dumping in a hotel the organizers took the pain of



inviting us over their homes. That turned out to be true bliss, since we got to know each other better. I, in particular, was exceptionally blissed since I was taken care from two girls from heaven.... well there was a "pachenic" with us also that spoiled some of the fun, but I eagerly await him in Athens to pay him back. The afore mentioned pachenic is, as I learn, the newly elected chairman of LC Nish, which goes to show that even great people as our host can make very stupid decisions.

On the workshop part everything was running nice and smoothly. Good presentations, especially good for people who have not been in touch with marketing ploys. And at the third day we were given the chance to deploy some of our newly earned knowledge. We were also given the chance to make ourselves look like complete jerks by presenting our educational system. Most of us didn't miss the chance.

For the fun part I think that you all know the drill. Every fucking-singlenight the would drag our asses in all this brilliant places. Our presence was mandatory and you could only take a leave on absence if you managed to play dead (but you had to do it very good). So I will keep it short and sum it up for you: club (music provided by the pachenic), bar (nice women there), kafana (Petar was a WILD horse), live music, club again and again! On the last night I cannot tell much because I was quite wasted. The only high point of the night was when I managed to throw up on the pachenics shoes. He thinks I did it by mistake. He should know better.

The sightseeing was excellent too and quite interesting. Among other we visited the palace of Konstantine the Great, the Skull Tower, one the few preserved concentration camps in Europe and the monument that was erected, in memory of those executed prior to the Nazis departure, at the place of their execution. At the same place the Geek Olympics took part. I really cannot say about them. But I can say quite a lot about the forest nearby.

As if this wasn't enough the plonckers dragged our sorry asses to the following places: a swimming pool (God I loved that), the city Castle, oh and let me not forget the city rally. I don't think I learned much about the city throughout the rally but I sure enjoyed seeing Petar walking on all four. Had I lost the paper-scissor-stone I wouldn't have enjoyed it that much though.

All jokes apart all in all it has been the best holiday I have ever had. Had it not been for the hospitality offered to us, I don't think, nay I am certain, that this wouldn't have been the case.

### LC Novi Sad

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Number of members: 120

### **Events organized in 2006:**

Elektrijada 2006 (exchange, Novi Sad and Ohrid lake, 05/14/2006 – 05/19/2006)

Bytes Talk! (workshop, Novi Sad, 10/20/2006 – 10/28/2006) Project EESTEC (workshop, Novi Sad, 2/9/2006 – 2/12/2006)

#### **About us:**

LC Novi Sad in 2006 was even better when it comes to interesting EESTEC events, better organizing skills and structure, greater members' motivation and keeping the EESTEC spirit safe and sound. We almost doubled the number of our members and started to organize more events both on international and local levels.

In 2006 we organized an exchange and two workshops, one of latter having the most participants since LC Novi Sad was founded (namely, 20). We kept good cooperation with the faculty and local companies, which enabled us to have more quality lectures on interesting topics. We are also one of the pioneer LC's at the international level that got involved in new EESTEC activities such as internships for other LCs' members. At local level, our LC organized job fair for students of technical faculties and

a programming contest which were altogether dedicated to solving the problems of unemployment among graduates. In the end, great parties for both members and regional LCs, as well as several motivation weekends and some interesting trainings for our members kept us all motivated and eager to participate in EESTEC activities.

We promise to have even better events, great workshops and parties in the future, where great cooperation with major companies and faculty staff, large number of motivated members and improved cooperation with other students' organizations, such as BEST and IEEE Students' branch are a

guarantee that we'll succeed.



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### Elektrijada 2006

Exchange 11. - 20. May 2006

Participants LC Bucharest (2)

Hi guys,

It's been a while since I have seen you, I still remember the long



night back to Serbia, after 5 days of partying, having fun, discovering new places, finding new friends

Even at the beginning I thought it couldn't be real...after staying in Novi Sad for a few days, we continued our trip to Macedonia,

the biggest gathering of electrical engineering students in Europe: Elektrijada. I heard so many things about it, I was so willing to participate, and even now, after I lived all those magnificent days, there are no words to describe all the feelings: curiosity, amaze, joy and friendship.

I was astonished to see so many people gathered in a place, having fun, and in the same time competing each other, partying, organising all kind of events and making sure everyone is pleased. There were invited not



only the Serbian people, but also students from different countries, who knew about this famous event.

At the beginning the Serbian guys showed us their great hospitality, there are so many things I remember: Tiiana with her special way to make us feel like home (I put some pictures on the wall like you have, between many stars), the warm evening in Tiiana's place with you all (I've never eaten such good pies like those with you), the visit to Novi Sad, especially the Petrovaradin fortress and the Danube, the great weekend at the countryside, where we had such a great time talking, playing, relaxing.

I don't know how to thank you for being such great hosts, planning so many events for us...not to mention that special day with the boat to visit the famous city Ohrid, the monasteries, the fortress and the Ohrid springs. As you can see from the pictures there are some unforgettable moments.

I miss you guys, I wish to see you again, until then, good luck and may all your dreams come true!

Cristina Secareanu LC Bucharest

### Bytes Talk! 2006

Workshop 20. – 28. October 2006



### Participants:

LC Krakow (2), LC Athens (3), LC Ljubljana (3), LC Skoplje (2), LC Sofia (2), LC Rijeka (2), Observer Eskisehir (2), Observer Eindhoven (2), Observer Tuzla (2).

LC Ljubljana sent to Novi Sad three people who were not members of EESTEC at the time of their departure from Slovenija...but the workshop changed everything!

We (Simon, Marko and Peter) took the late evening train to Novi Sad with a short stop in Beograd where we had to wait for the train to Novi Sad, the capital of Vojvodina.



At our one day delayed arrival

on Saturday (due to the obligations at our faculty with exams) the event was already in full swing, we just went with the flow. We were picked up at Novi Sad train station and after a short drive filled with adrenaline because of the fast driver we reached Fruska gora hill. The weekend that we spent in the mountains was excellent except for the hiking part...the trip was 14 km long, that's a bit too long if you are wearing ordinary shoes instead of hiking boots. We were exhausted, hungry and almost dehydrated by the end of the day but we compensated the lack of eating and drinking in the evening at the hut. That is how we managed to survive the most exhausting day of the workshop. The accommodation was great, we slept (for a very short period of time) in bunk beds and we ate like kings because the food was really great, the important thing is that it was



prepared by the hosts. We were pleasantly surprised by their kindness and generosity.

The next day (Sunday) we went to a picturesque village of Orlovat in Vojvodina. We visited a beautiful orthodox church, our guide was the local priest. After that we walked to a farmhouse where we made home made brandy named "rakija", we still haven't tried it yet because we are saving it for a special occasion like marriage, end of studying, birth of a child...  $\odot$ 

Because we were also hungry the hosts grilled a piglet and a small goat, both were delicious.

In the evening we finally reached Novi Sad and our dormitory where we stayed the next few days.

On Monday we visited the campus and took a long hike through the beautiful city of Novi Sad.

The following day we went to Belgrade. On the way we stopped at a company "Pupin Telekom". The company produces mostly telecommunication equipment like public digital telephone exchanges, data switching systems and equipment (Frame Relay, Ethernet...), Cable Distribution Systems (CATV, Internet, ...), telephones, public telephone boxes, optic transmission and other equipment used in modern telecommunications.

Then we set off towards Belgrade. There we met some members of EESTEC LC Belgrade, they were our "tourist guides" for the day. The old city centre is amazing, especially the fort Kalamegdan. In order to get rid of the tiredness the locals organized a party on a river boat on the Danube River

On Thursday the formal part of the workshop started with lectures about VOIP (voice over internet protocol). We listened to four lecturers who all spoke excellent English. The lectures were about the advantages/disadvantages of VOIP technology, about speech codecs, signalization protocols, softswitches and quality of service in using VIOP technology.

After the exciting lectures we just had to take a walk because we were



sitting for a long time and we almost didn't feel our legs anymore. The hosts took us to a mighty fortress named Petrovaradin which is looking over the Danube River. It is the place where a music festival EXIT takes place every year. The evening was

concluded with a party in a club in the centre of Novi Sad.

On Friday, the last day, we had to present ourselves and our home countries in front of all the participants and the hosts, maybe this was the hardest part of the workshop. Each of the participants got a gift at the end of their presentation like a small token of hospitality from the hosts. And in the evening we had a farewell party where we were all gathered together for the last time because the time of our departure was getting closer by the minute. The party was pure madness, full of emotions, happiness and sorrow because we had to say goodbye.

And on Saturday we had to leave, we (Slovenians) slept in late, afterwards we went to the city for a short and final stroll. With great sadness in our hearts we were forced to leave Novi Sad....

The whole event was really unique and unforgettable, many more things happened but they are not meant to be written here or are not meant for public:)

It was great, thanks to the super people from LC Novi Sad, and we think that we will se you again some day in the near future!

Thank you again for your hospitality!!!!

Simon K. Marko Š. Peter G

### **Project EESTEC**

Workshop 09. – 12. January 2007



Friday, 3 PM. A big crowd at the railroad station, as we expected. The train is late academic 15 minutes, which is surprisingly good for the fast railways of Serbia. With good tactics and organized action we managed to get the last two free seats:)

Fortunately we weren't too late to Novi Sad. Our smiley hosts prepared us a friendly welcome. They took us to the rest of the crew. The others arrived to Novi Sad at 9 AM. Besides us, guests were Faris from Sarajevo and Denica and Petko from Sofia. We found out something



more about expected activities within the next few days.

The dinner was at exclusive restaurant Zeppelin with members of IEEE from Skopje, Zagreb, Banja Luka, Novi Sad and Belgrade.

The rest of the evening was spent at karaoke party in club Skippers. After a few drinks, present guests had a privilege to enjoy in our singing possibilities. Cheerful Bulgarian rap birthday song was started at midnight, so we got impression that some of Bulgarian guests had a birthday. There was a cake, too:)

The next morning, organizers brought breakfasts to our rooms:) which



was very considerate way of waking us up. That day was planed for the lecture about Project & Knowledge Management at the Faculty of Technical Sciences. After introduction and lunch everybody was having fun at the Tango simulation. We were playing roles of senior managers in charged for workers and clients, but at the first year of "successful" business everybody was already being prosecuted:

We were at the meeting with IEEE Student Branch on the topic of Networking before dinner at another fancy restaurant - this time it was restaurant named Churchill.

The night life got even better in club "Lazino tele" (Laza's calf - yes, it's



real name of the club). Around two o'clock the morning participants had a huge wish to wash out their throats with Serbian alcohol drink called dunjevaca", "rakija and Bjelica (one of the organizers) was kind enough to offer us to be our guide :) Dunjevaca

was served as a special fuel for more action that night! Our hosts took us to a night club called "Pipping", where touching guests is permitted, which they "forgot" to mention to us. Vlajce wasn't feeling lucky because there were no blondes interested in touching him, so he had to go to sleep disappointed.

The next morning Katarina got her orange for breakfast, while the rest of the normal people had "burek" with jogurt. The continuous and irritating rain didn't stop us from teasing Sergej by being slow and taking pictures on every single step on the Petrovaradin fortress, even though we were late for lunch. While we were waiting for big juicy stakes we passed the time by reading SMSs from the mobile phone that our noble Vlajce found

on the street. That was great fun for everybody!

City rally... If we had found Wiki on time, we would have been the winners! For those who don't know, as we didn't at the time, Wiki is a woman taxi driver, who, besides the basic taxi services, has to offer other services as well... The guys were very disappointed because we had to call off the search after an hour, especially after they converted the value of the phone we found and returned to owner into Wiki's services. After running through Novi Sad we set down in our fourth assignment, restaurant Balkan Express, to have a rest before ice skating. Let's say we didn't embarrass our LC...too much:)

And as the saying says, leave the best for last... a party in a vine cellar. There was also support from LC Belgrade! Dancing on the tables, vine, beautiful girls, local music... a great party!

We started the final day awake in room 25...The hardworking Vlajce is arranging the photos, while Katarina and Faris are having a deep minded conversation and eating chocolate:)

Katarina Radulaški and Vladimir Delibašić LC Belgrade

### LC Oulu

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**Number of members:** about 10

### **Events organized in 2006:**

No events organized

### **About us:**

We don't have much people interested in EESTEC now but we are trying! We have got new member this year but some "old ones" can't be that much involved anymore. We have been planning an exchange and we think that autumn would be the best time. We got little money from our guilt but we are trying to get sponsors so we can arrange a nice exchange for you! We don't really have a board because we have so few people so anyone that wants can come to our meetings. We are now thinking of making a website (finally!) in co-operation with other LC's.

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### LC Podgorica

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Number of members: 48

### **Events organized in 2006:**

Montenegro Summer Exchange (Podgorica and Kotor) from 14.09.2006 to 22.09.2006

### **About us:**

Group of young, talented and enthuziastic people joined LC Podgorica at the beginning of 2006. Most of them were at the first year of their



studies. With a lot of passion, they began to work on thier first project "Montenegro Summer Exchange 06". With the help from some older members who had to leave EESTEC, we created something on what we are really proud. We intent to make Montenegro Summer Exchange our tradition.

Besides that, during past year we have done a lot on a local level. We have strengthened and reorganized our LC. We held a great presentation

about our LC at the beggining of the semester and we chose 25 from over 60 applicants for membership. Now we have one great crew that will be able to do a lot.

Together with all other students' organizations we formed Montengro Students Association in oreder to achieve our goals more effectively. Together we organized picture fair with pictures that students from Montenegto took abroad and pictures that foreign students took here in Montenegro. Now we are connected with all students' organizations in Montenegro and as a result of that cooperation we hope to see some big projects in future.

We have also participated in organization of "Day of Faculty of Electronics" and printed another edition of our magazine "E-magazin".

So, our LC is now stronger than ever and we look forward to organizing new projects...

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# MONTENEGRO SUMMER EXCHNAGE 2006



Exchange

14. - 22 August 2006

Web page: www.eestec.cg.ac.yu

Main sponsor: University of electrical engineering Podgorica

### Main purpose of event:

Simply main purpose of our exchange was to have a fun. During 9 days, 20 participants from Belgrade, Budapest, Istanbul, Niš, Ljubljana, Lugano, Sarajevo and Skoplje had a chance to discover Montengro and find out



what wild beauty really means. During exchange students were situated in our capital, Podgorica, and Kotor, the UNESCO protected city, from where we had organized many whole day trips. Besides Podgorica and Kotor, participants have visited two national parks: "Biogradska gora", and "Lovcen",

cruised over the bay Boka Kotorska etc.

### **Short description of the event:**

First day was an arrival day and we didn't have anything planed for that day until the night, because participants were arriving all day long. On their arrival to hostel, where they were situated for the first three and the last day, we offered them homemade brandy "rakija" and the best of national cuisine "priganice" and "pršuta". At night we went to a concert where people got to know each other better.

Next day we had a trip to a river near Podgorica, where we had a barbecue.

Unfortunately water was too cold (although it was 39C outside), so we couldn't even think about longer swimming sessions. Despite that, participants enjoyed looking the astonishing canyon of the river and a



breathtaking waterfall. The rest of day we spend singing with guitar masters Krsto, Enes, Lazar and Jaka, and tasting delicious food made by our chefs from Niš. When we got back to Podgorica, we went to welcome party during which we organized a very interesting karaoke contest.

On Wednesday we had another trip, whose main purpose was visit to our national park "Biogradska gora". Through the games we have acquainted participants with lake Biogradska gora and the rest of the national park, which is known as one of the three rainforests that currently exist in Europe. On our way back to Podgorica, we traveled through the mountains and very deep canyon of river Moraca, so we had excellent view at surrounding mountains. In Podgorica we went to a night club at the river beach, where Brazilian girls entertained us by dancing in "traditional" brazilian costumes.

Thursday was a moving day. We left Podgorica, and head towards the city at the seaside, Kotor. But before we got to Kotor, we stopped at Cetinje, our historical and cultural center, where we visited five museums and a monastery in which we could see an arm of St. Jovan (John) the Baptist. After lunch and a short



break we climbed to the top of a 1657m high mountain, where everyone had to sing a song from its country (Akos and Roland's song was the most interesting one). At the twilight we left the Cetinje, and head to the Kotor. It was another exciting travel, because we had an opportunity to see a sunset over Boka Kotorska bay, one of the most beautiful bays in the Europe. When we arrived in Kotor, and had a dinner, some chose to

go to night club, while others went to a beach with guitars and sang until the morning. (considering me the best day of our exchange.)

The next day we had a whole day cruising with a boat, over the Boka Kotorska bay. During the cruise most of people were relaxing because they had barely slept a few hours last nights. They had a sunbath at the front side of the boat, while the others were recovering strength in restaurant which was on the boat. In the middle of the bay, boat stooped and we had 2 hours for swimming and driving the scooters. Water was great so we spent as much time as we could in it. When we finished the cruise and returned back to Kotor, we went to discotheque "Maximus", were we stayed until early in the morning. Some of the participants, like "gunner" Joca, didn't see the discothèque. They went to hostel earlier because of too much alcohol. (most participants voted for this day as a best day of exchange).

Saturday started with sensational defeat of our national basketball team, which lost the game against Nigeria. But that didn't ruin our planes, so we had a city rally in Kotor. Afternoon was free, so participants spent it on the beach near the hostel, although we suggested them to rest and prepare for the evening. At the evening started carnival called "Bokeska noć". City was crowded. Inside the medieval citadel were several stages with all types of music. Thousands of people were dancing and drinking until the morning.

Tomorrow we visited Budva, another town at seaside, which is know as turistic center. After sightseeing, we took them to a beach were they could jump from the 10m high rock. As soon as we finished lunch, we moved to a beach near Budva, called Kamenovo. We had enough beer supplies, so we stayed there almost whole night. At 2 o'clock in the morning, our drivers returned us to Kotor, to have some sleep.

In the morning, we packed our staff, and returned to Podgorica. After 6 days full of trips and nights without sleep, we gave our participants free afternoon, in order to rest and refresh for a farewell party. Farewell party, was one of the best in my life. Not just because I had great time, but also because we got a lot of great presents. Most of them were ofcourse drinks containing ethanol:-).

At the end, this was the first exchange that we organized, and no matter how hard we worked to organize it, it was worth it. On behalf of EESTEC LC Podgorica, thank you all for coming. We hope that we will see some of you, or your friends, next summer, because Montenegro Summer Exchange 2007 is going to be even better.

Pavle Vujosević LC Podgorica



### LC Rijeka

**Year of foundation:** 1999

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**Number of members: 65** 

### **Events organized in 2006:**

Rijeka Summer Exchange, Rijeka, 19. - 26.07.2006 Rijeka Carnival, 16. - 19.02.2007

#### About us:

Our LC has 65 members, of which 15 are active.

We have organized so far, 6 Summer and 4 Carnival exchanges, 5 Motivation Weekends for our new members, and we are co-organizers of Career Day in Rijeka.

This year we have organized two international events, Rijeka Summer Exchange and Rijeka Carnival Exchange. On these two events we had about 80 participant (40 each). Now we are planning to organize a wokshop *Network Server Technoligies* in



cooperation with Microsoft, we are hopeing this event will beacome an official Microsoft-EESTEC project. We have a good cooperation with IEEE, IAESTE and AEGEE branches on our faculty.

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### Rijeka Summer Exchange 2006

Exchange 19. - 26. July 2006



### Participants:

LC Novi Sad(3+2), LC Belgrade(2+4), LC Nis(3+2), Observer Sarajevo(3+3), LC Skopje(3), Observer Tuzla(2), LC Banja Luka(2), LC Trieste(1), LC Bucharest(1), LC Helsinki(1), Observer Lugano(1), LC Tallin(1) and 2 friends from Čačak.

\*Extras in the brackes are unoffical guests

On 18.th July three representatives of LC Novi Sad, Dragana, Maja and me were waiting for a train to Belgrade, from where the buss would take us to Rijeka. We were all full with some sweet expectation, and hope that next week will be full of pleasant friendships with people from all over the Europe, more likely all over the Former Yugoslavian Republic, as it turned out later. After long time in buss at four o'clock in the morning we were there, at our destination - Rijeka. A lot of us, including me, have never been to Rijeka, and this city was very pleasant surprise for me and the others.

Rijeka is an important business, trade, industrial and cultural center of the west side of Croatia. It is located at the Adriatic Sea, at the position where the Mediterranean Sea penetrates the European continent at its most. Because of its natural and geo-political properties this area is ideal for the placement of the port and the ship yard, as well as other institutions related to sea industry and tourism.

Apart from those, there are many industries in Rijeka, the biggest of them being: mechanical and electrical industry, oil industry, wood, meat and paper industry.

But, Rijeka is much more then just industrial town. City of beautiful architecture, city of wide boulevards, city of common beaches, city of...

well, no point in naming them all ③. You don't believe me? Well, in that case, you should read the following text about our introducing to Rijeka in seven days...

First day in Rijeka, day when we were introduce to each other, was spent at the beach which was great. Sun, sea and good atmosphere (thanks to Ozujsko beer) made our tiredness go away (we traveled for 8 hours during



the night before, without any sleep). After dinner we had a welcome party, as it is custom. We needed so much energy for this, but it was just first day and nobody wanted to give up. I think that I had just put my head on pillow when sign for getting up had been given and second day began...

That day we had a great lunch in some fish restaurant and after that we visited a beautiful beach Kostrena. That evening for a first time we went out to Korzo, and other Rijeka's famous places. But since the 3rd day was suposed to be the most intense, we had to go 'home', by the way, I did't say at the beginning we were settled in the Red cross hostel, half an hour from centre of Rijeka. So, we came to Red cross and after a little nap(when I say little a really mean LITTLE) we went out looking for a new thrills.

That 3rd day was for me the best day in Rijeka. We visited Brijuni and Pula that day. The archipelago of Brijuni is an extraordinary blend of natural, historical and cultural heritage. The mild climate and the favourable geographical conditions, deep retracted bays and easily defendable elevated fortifications, have secured a continuum in the human activity on the island from a pre-historic age until the present day. We spend all day traveling on the sea, enjoyed in sightseeing and after that we went to party. It was special party because it was promotion of Haineken and some famous DJ Axwel(never heard of him before ①). It was splendid, so nice, very special (I am talking about Haineken), and DJ Axwel, well, he

was not bed ©, but real parties were waiting for us in the next two days.

Next two days was exactly that - parties!

We were on the Island of Krk. We didn't have toilet, except some bushes, didn't have



shower, except sea, didn't have parasol, except Croation flag, but we had a lot of meet, drink, good mood...and it was enough. The most willful didn't sleep that night at all, but...

During Rijeka summer exchange we also had a ceremonial reception at The Faculty of Engineering and we heard more about their faculty, way of studying, the possibilities after graduation.

City rally was fun and helped us to get to know Rijeka's monuments, museums, theatres end have a good time looking for them.

Last, 7th day was different than others. We went to the Baska beach, we all were together the whole day, swimming, sunbathing, but we all had just one thought: 'Tomorrow we will go home far away from here', and we were sad because of that. What comes after isn't interesting: leaving, traveling...but there are a lot of nice friendships which will last and memories which will be remembered for a lot of time.

In the end, I want to thank LC RIJEKA for my first exchange. I had great time, made a lot of friend, visited nice places and they made me realize advantages of Eestec.

Jelena Milošević LC Novi Sad

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Year of foundation: 2002

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**Number of members:** 70 members, 20 of them are active. They are students at the Faculty for Electrical engineering and information technologies and at the Faculty for Informatics - Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

### Events organized in 2006:

EESTEC Day during Elektrijada 2006, Struga - Ohrid - Sv. Naum (14-19.05.2006)

#### **About us:**

As Elektrijada 2006 was organized on Lake Ohrid's shore and all the participants were accommodated in the hotels near the lake, our LC

decided that it would be good idea to organize a boat trip around the shore. So, with a very short time and a lot of work to do, we started our mission impossible (later became possible), called "EESTEC Day during Elektrijada 2006". We rend two boats for over 300



people. The trip started from the shore near one of the hotels. Few groups were formed with tourist guides for each, which guided the groups to visit the famous monuments in Ohrid. After this the spring Biljanini izvori was visited, where the participants in the tour had a break for lunch and looking around the natural reservate. At the end of the day we partied with a life performance rock band until the early morning hours.

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**Number of members:** 30 active and about 50 more not active

### **Events organized in 2006:**

EESTEC Congress Sofia 2006 (The Congress) - 4/26/2006 - 5/05/2006 Team Building event (workshop) - 12/01/2006 - 12/03/2006 Celebrating New Year (exchange) - 12/30/2006 - 01/02/2007

#### About us:

This is LC Sofia speaking....We are one of the youngest student organizations in Technical University – Sofia, which hasn't prevented us from being one of the most active ones. As it's known LC Sofia was the COC in 2006 and despite needing some time to take a breath after this we also managed to participate in some foreign events in Estonia, Turkey, Serbia and to organize two other ourselves. From December 1st to 3rd we proceeded the so called "Team Building" event. The participants were from Greece, Serbia and Macedonia – our closest neighbours. That was three days of fun in the mountain and a proof that the most efficient way to build a team is to let people have fun together. And because it was a totally smashing event we decided to make a part 2 of it at the New Year's Eve in Sofia. We did spend it as real EESTECers with some friends from

Niš and Novi Sad Meanwhile activation made and we motivation campaign, some presentations for the students in relevant faculties, created some flyers, posters brochures about the LC and EESTEC. We are developing our web site and looking for new challenges to get through. We have some serious



agreements with different companies like National Electricity Company, Schneider Electric, Nokia and some of the Bulgarian mobile operators. Referring collaboration with other student organizations, the Student Council in Technical University – Sofia is our strongest partner and we work together all year long. And this is all about us in short. Love you all, guys! Love EESTEC!!! Keep the spirit!!!

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### **Team Building Event**

Workshop

1. - 3. December 2006

### Participants:

LC Novi Sad (1), LC Nis (5), LC Skopje (6), Observer Patras (5), LC Sofia (9).



We have finally made it to officially become observers here in Patras and would like to share our joy with you. At the same time we would like to express our best wishes to everyone we met up there and thank you for your hospitality. It's been a pleasure being there those three days and for sure next time we'll try to be there as well.



Semkovo was a very picturesque place to visit! The mountain scenery was breathtaking and, even if it was a little cold the last day, we will have lots of nice memories from our stay. We really enjoyed the games. It was the first team building event we participated in and we got really motivated to join other events of

that kind in the future. We also enjoyed the event organizing task, but the blind-folded games were by far the best.

We think that the most wonderful thing was the fact that the first day there we met some people whom we did not know at all (basically Dimitris and Vangellis, Christos had met some people in Nish) and the next day we were cooperating as members of the same team. That is the main idea of team building and EESTEC spirit, isn't it?



Last but not least, we express our infinite support to Zahari's idea that the team building event could become an every year event here in Balkans!

We thank you for making our stay pleasant and hope to see you all soon!!!



Yours faithfully, Patras Observers

PS: Concerning the organizing part, everything was just fine! We did not encounter any difficulties at all!

### **Celebrating New Year**

Exchange

30. December 2006 – 1. January 2007

### **Participants:**

LC Nis (12), LC Novi Sad (4), LC Sofia (14).

I was very happy when I saw the invitation from LC Sofia to celebrate the New Year's Eve together in Sofia. For me, this was a perfect opportunity to wait a New Year in the foreign country for the first time.

Together with two more friends from LC Novi Sad I took the train and after a 15 hours long journey, we were finally at the Sofia train station. There we met people from LC Nis and the local eestecers. After short break and tasting Bulgarian beer we went to dormitory in the student city and lay to rest for a while. After that, it was lunch time and we tasted local food.



My favourite choice which I was repeating in next few days was: cold "tarator" soup (yogurt and cucumbers) which is very good for hang over;), famous Bulgarian salads (weight 400 grams so it can be a main dish as well, very tasty, good with Bulgarian "Pestera" grape brandy), "kebabce" meat

and a "Zagorka" and/or "Kamenica" beer for a desert of course<sup>©</sup>.

After interesting city tour and sight seeing we ended in a restaurant with nice "Pop Folk" music where we enjoyed in excellent dinner. It was a good opportunity to refresh my memory with old music hits that I learned in "Ravda" summer exchange also organized by LC Sofia and to hear a new ones

We celebrated a New Year in a nice modern discotheque where we had dinner and danced a lot. It was very funny and I will remember that night

because we were two times kissing and celebrating. First in midnight and second time in 1 am because that was midnight in Serbia (thanks to different time zones<sup>©</sup>). The rest of the guests probably considered us to be totally crazy when we all jumped in 1 am and started repeating the midnight atmosphere again.



The next day we were resting from the last night and preparing for a new party. For me personally, this night was even better than last one. Eestecers occupied one bar and after a while we started dancing and singing. It was a night where we discovered Bulgarian tequila and although a fanatic beer lover, I didn't resist to try some. Party ended at 6 am at the bar and continued in dormitory rooms.

That was the last day of this wonderful 3 days New Year's exchange in Sofia. Well done LC Sofia! See you in summer.

Miloš Grubješić, LC Novi Sad

### LC Tallinn

**Year of foundation:** 2002 (in EESTEC from 2005)

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**Number of members: 86** 

### **Events organized in 2006:**

"International SummerCamp in Estonia for IT-students 2006", Tallinn, 31.07 – 07.08.2006

#### About us:

The organisation LC Tallinn (alias Lapikud) connects 86 students of Computer Science in Tallinn University of Technology. Every year the number of members is growing and the activeness level of our organisation is being growth.

LC Tallinn has a tradition that every summer our most important event «International SummerCamp for IT-students» is being organized. An idea of organising an Annual International WinterCamp for IT-students has been taken into consideration this year. In addition throughout the year we are pushing our members to participate different EESTEC workshops and exchanges. Last year all together 6 members of LC Tallinn took part in different workshops of EESTEC.

Our members are more active on a local level – throughout the year we organise different events for IT-students of our university. For example freshmens party, Christmas party, WinterCamp, IT-triathlon, IT-orienteering and Lapikud birthday party. We have a very good cooperation with the best Estonian IT-companies (Skype, Microsoft Estonia, Webmedia) by friendly visits of the companies and also on the sponsorhip level.

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## **International SummerCamp** in Estonia for IT-students

Workshop 31st of July to 7th of Augusts 2006

### Participants:

LC Sofia (1), LC Athens (1), LC Valmiera (3), LC Skopje (1), LC Niš (1), LC Budapest (1), LC Madrid (1)

NON-EESTEC participants:

Kaunas, Lithuania (3), Milano, Italy (3), Gdansk, Cracow, Poland(2), Cardiff, Wales (1), Zurich, Switzerland (1)

Webpage: www.lapikud.ee/summercamp

Another pile of spam in my mail... I was already pressing "delete"

button, when I noticed one different letter. It's the way got to know about this summer camp. :-) Although at first Estonia didn't seemed very fascinating country (believe me I was wrong!), I was interested in this camp from the very first minute when I read about it. So



I put all my heart in application form and was very happy to find an acceptance letter.

My trip to Estonia was fun because of some accidents on the road. Though 'cause of the same accidents my bus was 2 hours late! I was worried as I forgot to take organizers' phone numbers with me but when bus finally reached its destination point, I saw the guy form Estonia who patiently waited for me those whole two hours!

So during the first meeting with those who arrived earlier everybody seemed shy and silent. But everything changed fundamentally in the evening. It started with official opening ceremony and getting-to-know-each-other party in Kannu pub. Variety of games, dancing, karaoke, singing and warm ambience made evening greatly amicable and homelike.

Next day began with participants' presentations which were very different but all sight worthy. Part of them were relating to IT field (like CD's error correcting, panoramic pictures with mobile phones etc.), other part was about people themselves and their countries (for instance vivacious movie about Serbia or very original presentation regarding to Latvia).

After lunch we had seminars by Microsoft. It was a presentation of newest Microsoft corporation products. Of course Office 2007 and Windows Vista, this actually caused pretty controversial opinions. Topic was discussed from the point of development and illustrated with examples.

You will not believe this but later we all ended up in a prison! Though it was really interesting! Nice senior guide told us about prisoners' everyday life in this institution situated in very nice place by the sea. Personally I have never been to prison and after this museum I think I saw enough not caring to get back there. :-)

Evening came with movie night and we had a chance to see great piece of Estonian film industry reflecting fight against occupation history also immersing love comedy and tragedy elements.

Another morning we heard introductory lecture about ASP .NET fundamentals using Visual Studio 2005. Presenters made a small webpage example showing the basis of attaching user interface with the data and some other basic points of ASP-pages. Going further, participants went to bus tour around Tallin and visited TV tower to see whole beauty from the top. That night was great to revel in club Terrarium.

Third day began with excursion to Skype. We had a chance to see how it

is being done, to feel the company energy, to get to know some history and to talk about the principles of this product making.

In the sequel, the second part of participants' presentations and cityrally took place. During the game, teams had an opportunity to do some



orienteering and running, chatting with passerby and getting to know more Estonian words. But personally for me the most effect was one task - Estonian-kind cocktail drink Millimallikas. All teams ended the competition with a song in front of the opera house. Our

team "Aliens" actually sang modified Lithuanian Eurovision song ("We are the winners"). And later it came out that we actually became winners! :-) After city-rally all spare energy was spent in club Hollywood.

Next morning we packed our things and went to town Mustvee by bus. Underway we got some really interesting things to see. Great Russian church and Kohtla mining-museum witch was really exiting as we got

special outfit to wear, chance to try 15 metres length drill, got a ride by small train and bike on rails and more interesting stuff as well.

When bus stopped and I saw the lake Peipsi for the first time, I thought we



came back and we're by the sea again! It's magnificent! Couldn't wait to try it after sauna! But first – the international night came... Oh my! Everyone presented some food and drink from their country. Especially drink. :-) And all of them were so distinct and individual. Afterwards party was just crazy; sauna and the lake were fantastic!

Next day was very active. We played a lot of sport games and participated in adventure game which challenged our ingenuity, athletic shape, typing

skills and orienteering. After lunch programming contest took place. There was a task that nobody could understand at first. But after some explanations were given, work started. Good thing was that there were no rules about programming language to use and no strict time limit (otherwise our team wouldn't have left any time cause of really hot discussions).

On Sunday we had to leave this beautiful place. But farewell party was still waiting for us. Party was held in really nice place called Glehn's Castle. And it was the hit! Crazy, sweet, unforgettable... But then I felt – this is it, the ending of event, of this awesome week. I felt how much I'm going to miss each of these lovely people! And I really am. It's hard to express all my gratefulness for organizers, for whole this remarkable thing they did. Thank you all! :-)

So making it short: 19 participants; 13 countries; some knowledge; lot of great time; lifetime memories...

Dalia Poderyte (Lithiania)

# LC Tampere

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LC Tampere has 42 members out of which 15 are active. In March the Guild of Electrical Engineering arranged its yearly bandy tournament. We formed a cunning team which practiced very hard but failed to score. Even once. ©

Later, in April, we held a workshop, Signal Processing – from Theory to Tool. During the summer four of our members got together with other Finnish EESTECers in Ähtäri for our annual Wokshop. There LC Helsinki introduced an idea of a recruitment excursion Will on Wheels or WOW for short (pun intended). So in the fall we arranged an evening programme for the first night of the excursion and in the morning 14 of us hopped on the bus with the people from Helsinki.

Our chairwoman went on an exchange for the new academic year so vice-chairman was promoted to the chairman for the rest of the year. In the fall we also recruited lots of new members at exhibition for freshmen. Another recruitment activity was held a few weeks later in the form of a sauna evening where new members were given more information about our organization.

Later in the year we held our Christmas party. In the year 2007 we are planning on arranging at least one exchange. All together 6 of our LC's

members took part in events held in Cosenza, Belgrade, Aachen and Zürich.

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# Workshop in Tampere

Workshop 2. - 9. April 2006

We held a Workshop at Tampere University of Technology, in co-operation



with highly respected Institute of Signal Processing. We familiarized ourselves with finnish customs, like black foods, and learnt a lot of new things about signal processing. Participants came from LC Belgrad, LC Nis, LC Athens, LC Zürich, LC Bucharest and LC Istanbul.

First participants arrived on Saturday and with them we went to a bar Kultainen Apina to drink some beer and sing karaoke. Our Workshop started officially on Sunday-evening when we had the welcome party at Konetalon sauna. There we ate some salad and bread, got to know each other, went to sauna and drank some punch(which was brown-coloured<sup>3</sup>).

Monday morning began with a tour of university, followed by presentations of International Office and the Student Union which introduced university and student culture. At noon Teemu Karjalainen held the first lecture about "Digital Signal Processing applications in audio production" and after that we had a lunch at Zip which is one of the university's restaurants. In the evening we went to the city center to the cosy place called Tearoom where we enjoyed good food, magnificent company, familiarized more with the secrets of sauna and played some billiards. We spent the evening until late night.

Tuesday's program began with the lecture by Petri Jarske with topic "Audio processing challenges in mobile phones". Lectures continued with topics "Digital Signal Processing from Theory to Tool" and "Efficient Techniques for Image Re-Sampling", both held by professor

Tapio Saramäki. Starving stomaches were fed with Jalopeno's pizzas. After a tiny relax we headed to Hervanta Bar Tour called Keskiasteen Välitutkinto, a student happening by the Guild of Electrical Engineering. Despite of damp weather we had great time together. End point to this bar tour was Kantri Star where we drank more beer and enjoyed live music by local bands and danced all night long.

On Wednesday it was time to lectures held by foreign specialists, first Artur Lugmayr lectured about "Ambient Intelligence: From 'Signal' to Practical Multimedia Application" and then was Mikhail Chobanu's turn. After lectures we went on a company visit to Nokia where we had a presentation and quiz of the company. Later we had a movie evening in which we watched a Finnish movie from the year 2003 "Vieraalla maalla – Land of Love" and American talk show host Conan O'Brien's special episode of his visit to Finland.

Thursday's official part was groupworks which topics were "How and why digital signal processing (DSP) has changed from the theory to the very important "tool" during the last three decades?" and "Find out some important applications where only the DSP theory and methods can be used instead of their analog counterparts? Explain the use of DSP in one application in more detail." After the presentations we had free time and part of us went to sleep when the others went to the city center. Getting on toward evening we had the pre-party at Tornit and the night continued later in a studentparty in a center's big night club Onnela where most of us drank beer and got to know other students until the wee hours.

On Friday morning, after a bit longer sleep, we headed to Pispala's view tower to admire the beautiful views to all over to Tampere and to eat a delicious doughnuts with coffee. After that we got sightseeing in town including cathedral and Finlayson in where the Finland's first light bulb was lit. We had lunch in theater restaurant Tillikka and then participants had time for shopping. In the late afternoon it was time to go to a cottage in the neighboring town Lempäälä. The cottage is situated by a beatiful lakeshore in the middle of nowhere. Some of us worked hard to make a hole in the ice and swimming in a frozen lake was a new experience

to many of us, some tried it even four times! We played cards, relaxed, enjoyed sauna and fire in the fireplace. All participants passed the black test, in which they tasted traditional finnish foods and drinks; black sausage, mämmi(eastern dessert), salmiakki(candy) and salmari(hard liquor with the taste of salmiakki).

On Saturday we enjoyed peaceful morning and some of us went again to swim in the frozen lake and tried some cross-country skiing. In the aternoon we left the cottage and headed back to Tampere. We enjoyed farewell dinner in the brewery restaurant Plevna and after that we celebrated the farewell party in a bar called Groove and later in another bar, Emma. After long and warm farewells we spred all over Tampere to sleep, and in following day it was time to go back home.

That week was unforgettable, we miss you all! Thank you for everyone who took part in this event, hope to see you soon again. =)

Sanna Lahokallio



## **LC Trieste**

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## **Short description of the LC:**

LC Trieste has 15 active members and in every weekly meeting are coming new people. From the Congress in Sofija we start being popular in our University and quite active at international level. We are trying to spread EESTEC around in new Universities and presenting it in all non EESTEC event where we participate like in Turin – YEPPIES Winter Universiade.

Now we have our web page hosted in the university's portal, and we have our office.

We start weekly meetings where we discuss for the most general problems, site and about the future events. At the moment we are working in a international event, AtmoCube – that is a educational satellite that is being construct at the University of Trieste.

Our LC is in good relationship and collaboration with the other students

organizations in Trieste.

## **Short history of LC:**

LC Trieste is member of EESTEC for long time, but for different reasons has not organized events and were not so active on international level. LC Trieste is officially recognized in 2006 at the



Congress in Sofija. Two people went to the Congress and understand the great aim of the EESTEC family and start working on establishing LC Trieste, they are Arlind Doberdolani and Igor Stojic. It was very hard at the beginning on finding new people, motivating them and make them active. We start having open weekly meetings discussing about the LC, where could come the other non eestec-ers look how do we work and maybe become new members.

For now we have 15 active members. Fortunately we have a good relationship with some professors and departments on University of Trieste. LC Trieste is also in collaboration with elder brother IEEE sb Trieste and with some of other students' associations, here in our University.

We have organized some local event with IEEE sb, visiting the Ronchi Air Simulation base.

## Events that we participated:

- LC Sofija 20th EESTEC Congress 2006
- LC Rijeka Summer Exchange 19~26.06.2006
- LC Istanbul − 1<sup>st</sup> Eestec Chairperson Meeting o5~11.11.2006
- Italy Yeppies Winter Universiade Torino 25~28.01.2007
- LC Ankara Puzzle-Puzzle o6~13.o2.2oo7

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# LC Vienna

**Year of foundation:** 1986

**Bord members:** 

Treasurer: Maria Klonner, maria@fet.at

Number of members: 1

## **Events organized in 2006:**

No events organized

#### **About us:**

I'm trying to find some members but that will probably happen only at the beginning of the next winter semester with some new freshmen. I myself will graduate in autumn so I do not have a lot of time to invest but I try to kind of keep the website up to date.

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Treasurer: Agata Guzek, agata.guzek@gmail.com

**Number of members: 25** 

## **Events organized in 2006:**

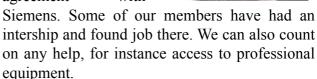
No events at all due to lack of members (we'll catch up in 2007)

#### **About us:**

LC Wroclaw is relatively young organization. We have organized only one event in 2005 and are working on our next one (the workshop: "Future of wireless networks"). We don't have sponsors, but we're very intensively working on finding any.



We have a friendly agreement with



Our committee has just started cooperation with IEEE. We are also in a close touch with the following student organizations: Automatics and

Robotics Students' Association, Wireless Networks Students' Association, Students' Scientific Association.



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## LC Zurich

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Number of members: 13

## **Events organized in 2006:**

Do it your cell, Zurich 23-30.7.2006

#### About us:

Our LC became a real family within this year, mainly cause of the the first event organized by all the new people with a little help from the old generation. Beneath all the fun stuff we undertook during this week, also many things about how to organise and improve an event were learned and of course will be used for the next upcoming event.

In June, we invited twenty people for our workhsop "do it your cell",



where we designed mobile phones with help of CAD programmes. Just before the congress in Budapest we're planning a skiweekend together with Observer Lugano in the most eastern point of Switzerland. We also invited people outside of EESTEC for those days in the mountains with the goal to

convince them that EESTEC is a beatiful thing and worth being a part of

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# Do it your cell

Workshop 23. – 30. July 2006



## **Participants:**

LC Belgrade (2), LC Novi Sad (2), LC Wroclaw (2), LC Athens (2), LC Skopje (2), LC Helsinki (2), LC Ljubljana (2), LC Nis (2), LC Bucharest (2), LC Rjeka (1), LC Craiova (1)

20 guests from Romania, Finland, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia and Greece came to Zurich to participate in our workshop about cell phone design, listen to presentations and also enjoy the sun, Switzerland and life in general.



The work, consisting of designing cell

phones by means of CAD and testing them on functionality and design was more artistically than physically tiring, so there was enough time to stir up the city.

It started out with a typical Swiss welcome party with Raclette (grilled



cheese) on Sunday, continued with "Cool Monday" in a club in Zurich, grilling on top of an institute with a wonderful view of Zurich and the lake, the world-famous "Zurich Tram Party" (where our guests impressed the residents, who are known to be very holding back, so much with their singing skills that some of them joined right in) plus a visit to a hitherto unknown gay club!

Already on Thursday our guests were so

university canteens ("rice with fruit is not food!"), we had to throw them in the river Rhine, where all drifted down to a grilling spot and could feast on meat till oblivion. Positive side effect: a young lady learned to swim! This teaches us that EESTEC also upholds its educational side!



During "International Night" we were able to enjoy specialties from all countries, very delectable, especially with a glass of liquor in the other hand. Being too tired to continue, most of us crawled home earlier, before the miserable rest was kicked out by the security.

The rest of the week continued in the style with eating, swimming, dancing and drinking, until it was time to say goodbye. The guests gave us a rich shower of goods, the best cell phones were awarded a plaster model and, of course, being in Switzerland, with "Schoggi" (chocolate), and after a refreshing nights swim in the nearby swimming pool everybody was allowed to go home at 8 in the morning, happy and drunk!

We'd like to thank everybody who helped us, our hosts, our sponsors ABB and ALSTOM and of course LC Zurich plus especially our guests!

# **EESTEC Observers**

EESTEC world is in constant growth. This year we have some new observers who are working really hard to gain status of LC.



## **Observer Eskisehir**

Year of foundation: 2006

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 32

## Events organized in 2006:

We have not organized any event yet. But we participated to Bytes Talk WS (Novi Sad, Serbia) and ELVER'07 (Istanbul, Turkey)

#### **About us:**

EESTEC Observer ESKISEHIR is established by Anadolu University Electrical and Electronic Engineer Student Clup Board and members. That clup has been a member of IEEE S.B. since 2001. A.U. IEEE S.B.



organized 1ST Turkey IEEE Student Branch Congress. Approximately 100 IEEE Student Member participate the congress from different 30 Turkish IEEE S.B. for 4 days. Every cost covered by Anadolu University IEEE S.B. We have been working on our first ws. If everything is ok, our first ws will become a reality at 22nd-28th April in Eskisehir. Our sponsor companies and supporters are Siemens, Anadolu University, Beko, Eskisehir Metropolitan Municipality, Eskisehir Chamber of Industry, Eskisehir chamber of commerce etc. Our workshop subject is PLC (Programmable Logic Controllers)



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# **Observer Famagusta**

Year of foundation: 2006

#### **Bord members:**

Chairman: Moner Murtaja, moner.murtaja@gmail.com Coordinator: Kubilay Ozisik, kubilay.ozisik@ieee.org

### Events organized in 2006:

SPIKE

#### About us:

Famagusta group was been accepted recently as an observer member of EESTEC. Located in the Eastern Mediterranean .The group is full member of the international organizations of the university.

From the time it was been accepted, we attended one event in Istanbul and arranged one internal Spike event "seminar".

There is a new seminar next week to introduce EESTEC to the new students

Obs. Famagusta is planning to release an activity very soon as of the spring festival of the university to EESTEC members. This will be from 14th to 20th of May 2007. The activity is an exchange type together with training course for 3 days. Participants will also get a certificate after finishing the training course.

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## **Observer Lisboa**

Year of foundation: 2006

#### **Board members:**

Haven't defined an official EESTEC board yet, but the main positions

consist in:

Chairman: Marco Arede Treasurer: Carlos Moreira

Vice-chairman Internal affairs: José Bigares

Number of members: 9

### **Events organized in 2006:**

The LC didn't organized international events, only local event's such as JEEC (Electrical Engeneering and Computer Science Jouneys)

#### About us:

We are a small observer LC with few participants. Until now we just sent people to workshops and avents abroad. Our work and planning is

towards increase number of people interested and define more concretlly statutes and plan activities to perform. The ground base for the EESTEC LC is a student's association called NEECIST in our university, the members of NEECIST are invited to participate in EESTEC activities.



Sponsor connections were arranged for (and thru) this association with



the purpose of financing some events at the local level wich puts us in direct contact with the business world.

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Year of foundation: 2005

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 25

## **Events organized in 2006:**

Dependable Swisstems Workshop, Lugano, 04.03-11.03. 2007

#### About us:

Our main aim for this year is to become a full member of EESTEC at the Congress in Budapest. In order to achieve this aim we organize a workshop in March (www.eestec.unisi.cch/workshop). Our activities so far were mostly oriented to establishing internal structure and motivating the members. We organized a number of parties and leasure events at local level. We built up new web-site and got into contact with University, other student organizations at Uni and sponsors. This resulted in successful funds raising for our international event as well as in good cooperation with University that offered us infrastructere and all kind of help. Our sponsors are University, an insurance company and a bank.

One our member has found an internship and we plan to work more in finding more positions. Our further activities are directed to establishing of an IEEE branch in Lugano and growth of EESTEC LC.



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# **Observer Sarajevo**

Year of foundation: 2006

#### **Board members:**

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Number of members: 93

### **Events organized in 2006:**

Local events:

- 1. EESTEC Promo Party (EPP) Vol.1,
- 2. EESTEC Promo Party Vol.2,
- 3. Motivation Weekend at Igman

### About us:

The first idea of EESTEC in Sarajevo was born in July 2006. Our colleague and the current chairman of Observer Sarajevo, Faris Nizamić, visited "Tesla – never ending story" event organised by LC Belgrade. He returned to Sarajevo full of enthusiasm and EESTEC spirit, willing to

share it with all his colleagues. He immediately started gathering a team capable of forming and leading LC Sarajevo. On 20th September 2006 we officially got status of the Observer and from that moment we started realising our plans.



In November and December we successfully organised the 2 EESTEC



Promo Parties (EPP) in the students' club 'ACCESS' and which resulted in having 93 members (22 active ones). While preparing these EPPs we managed to make contacts with several web portals, newspapers and TV stations. One of our first assignments was offering a technical support for Sarajevo Fashion Week,

which produced commendations by SFW. From the beginning of our work the Dean, professors and management of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering Sarajevo have recognised values of EESTEC and have given us their full support.

Our members have shown lot of interest for travelling and participating in most of the events organised by other LCs. So they went to Nis (5th Birthday party), Belgrade (Grab Exchange), Istanbul (Chairpersons meeting) and Novi Sad (Knowledge management). During our work we established cooperation with other student organisation so we've tried to broaden EESTEC spirit visiting Yuppies event in Torino and Aalborg University IEEE Student Paper Contest 2007 in Denmark, where one of our members presented his paper ''Methods of Analogue Instruments and Numeric Displays Automatic Reading".

At this point we are making plans for our first international event, which is scheduled to take place by the end of this year. In addition, we have recently organised a training session "*Team building*" for our most active

members, and a motivation weekend on the mountain of Igman. Our special guest on that event was International Chairman Marko Obrknezev.

So, we'll keep trying to work to the best of our capabilities and we're looking forward to seeing you in Sarajevo soon.



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# **Observer Tuzla**

Year of foundation: 2006

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Publication person: Marina Benes, benesmarina@yahoo.com

#### Number of members:

total number of the members: 30

Active members: 10

Active members that left EESTEC since last report ( graduated and/or

quit):1

### **Events organized in 2006:**

EESTEC promo party 17.12.2006

We introduced EESTEC to students of Faculty of Electrical Engineering

.We had about 20 guests and plenty of questions ©

We had a short presentation of EESTEC, EESTEC events and our obligations as members of EESTEC.

### **About us:**

In 2006 we decided to become a part of EESTEC organization. We



spread the information all over the Faculty and were suprised with very entusiastic students ideas. In December 2006 we had an EESTEC promo party wich was great sucess. Over 30

students were interested in joining EESTEC. We introduced EESTEC to professors too. Our deen promised help with organization and support for events.

Now we have couple ideas about our next events wich will probably be in July as part of "Tuzla Summer University" wich is the project of our university. Since 1996 each summer, students from Europe, North America and Australia are gathering in Tuzla to attend different seminars in almoust all scientific fields



Also, we have great cooperation with IEEE student organization, and other local non-profit organisations.

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# The International Board

### Dear EESTECers,

This 21st year of our association's existence has been a dynamic and successful one. For the first time we were supported by EU grant that has brought essential funds that we would never have a chance to get without this grant. On the other hand, it was hard and full of hurdles, as every beginning is. Numerous pages of regulations and accounting shits had to be read. Now it seems that a part of the job is done and we will e able to use ti more wisely in the following year.

As we look back in time, many things that have been done faded from our memory, but ECM will certainly be remembered as a step forward that our association made before it's 21st birthday. Hopefully, this event will become a tradition in EESTEC.

There are many great ideas to be realized in the future, and none of them should be neglected but there are some "more equal then others". Our efforts and resorts should be focused on the creation of sound training system in order to manage the knowledge that we have in excess in some areas and we lack in the others. The other important point is certainly the creation of the international team, the asset that only wide spread networks like ours can have.

Marko Obrknezev

# Chairman

## My first contact with EESTEC

When some of my friends went to Elektrijada they got to know a group of people called "EESTEC" and they organizes an event few months



later, they got a chance to help hosting some participants in Novi Sad. My first contact was trough their stories about great parties. Very soon there was some chance to travel to a workshop and that's how the story starts. Very soon, I got totally addicted, not missing one single meeting nor party.

## What EESTEC gave me

What really tied me to EESTEC was not a great chance to travel around Europe, but a bunch of great people of all ages in my local committee. It

seemed to me that everyone with whom I would like to be friend in whole my faculty has been filtered out in this small group of around 30 people. I got a chance to be with people that shared the values I thought were right and that gave me great motivation to work for EESTEC. If I would get this amount of appreciation and support once again in my whole live, I would conceder myself a successful person. Some say that working with people is the hardest job on Earth. EESTEC thought me how to do it and converted a chore to a pleasure.

## What EESTEC took away from me

Nevertheless, there were hard times... Sleeping for 2 hours a day during the events and getting literally sick as soon as it was over, were also part of my EESTEC career (until I discovered Vitamin C pills). Times that I thought I was wasting my live over something while my friends are finishing their studies. Some desperate moments not seeing the light at

the end of the tunnel... some lost friends... girlfriends... time... sure... but looking back, I can't regret a thing.

## Being in the Board of EESTEC International

Congress in Sofia was probably the greatest change in my life in the shortest amount of time. I came there with a clear decision that I have done what I wanted in EESTEC and that from now on I am just going to be silent observer, giving a piece of advise form time to time, and above all not knowing too much about how international level works. I left Sofia as a Chairman of EESTEC International.

It was the most trilling year of my live, working with lots of great personalities and finding out how similar and different we are in the same time. At home I was sometimes a mere visitor, sometimes stopping by just to wash my clothes and then traveling to another place for a meeting. It was a year of hard work, strange rhythm of live but full of opportunities, friendship and joy.

#### The Aftertaste

Every time for the past 4 years I have looked back in my live to find out how I have changed, I realized that that EESTEC influenced this change more than anything else. Every time I did so, I realized that it made me understand the world around me a little bit better than I did before.

Ask me if I would do the same thing if I could make a choice once again. No doubt.

Ask me if I am prepared to do it again. Well, it is time to move on and take the things I learned here to a different playground.

EESTEC, I wish you all the best!

Marko Obrknezev Chairman of EESTEC International '06-'07

# Vice-chairman Internal Affairs

Hello, dear reader.

Before looking at this, you probably looked at all the other articles about EESTEC Events. Maybe you've participated in some of them, or in



others not mentioned in this issue of the EESTEC Yearbook. This means you are familiar with the EESTEC Spirit, and you are a part of it.

21 years have passed since EESTEC was born. This many generations of students have benefited and contributed and been part of this organization, and most importantly, have kept it going against all theoretical odds. It is the people that created the organizational culture of EESTEC.

Organizational culture, or corporate culture, comprises the attitudes, experiences, beliefs and values of an organization. It has been defined as "the specific collection of values and norms that are shared by people and groups in an organization and that control the way they interact with each other and with entities outside the organization

Edgar Schein, a MIT Sloan School of Management professor, defines organizational culture as "the residue of success" within an organization. According to Schein, culture is the most difficult organizational attribute to change, outlasting organizational products, services, founders and leadership and all other physical attributes of the organization. And what is the sole thing that remains the same through all generations? It is the EETEC Spirit, materialized in the people and their actions.

Entering EESTEC meant a big change in my life. It was, without

exaggerating, enlightening. It made me see "the bigger picture". Studying engineering, I was prone to be fixed only on certain aspects of the surroundings and to understand them only in a pragmatic way. EESTEC brought in the soft skills needed for a larger, more flexible point of view, needed in a managerial approach.

Being VC-IA 2006-2007 was the chance to put those skills into practice and to lend a helping hand to maintaining and spreading the Spirit. I only hope I did as well as I wished myself in the beginning. And I suggest to you, never to give up an opportunity.

Remember: Take care what you wish for! You never know when it might come true:)

Gabi Dragoi VC-IA '06-'07 gabi.dragoi@gmail.com

# **Vice-chairman External Affairs**

In EESTEC...

Since November 2004, thanks to wooing of my longlasting friend Sandi. He was heating me up for a most fatty and delicious dish in a world – famous "pleskavica with kajmak" from Belgrade, and off it went, a



van stuffed with LC LJ members, including me, heading to LC Belgrade's event. From there on it went only steep upwards until the Congress in Sofia 2006!

Did in my mandate...

As VCEA I am most proud of my BAs whom I managed to present their job as prosperous and funmaking, in this way I always had hands to count on. So strengthen and pumped with energy we codid the modification and report for the 2006 EC Grant as well as the application of the same

Grant for 2007. We carried out a questionnaire on Visa difficulties among affected LCs and passed it on to the IFISO community, with whom we, by the way, also bonded really well together. We enriched EESTECers with a slideshow presentation and set up a central pool for documents gathering of all kind. Not to be neglected is also an initiative and two filmed events for the EESTEC Int. Promo Movie. Lastly, I think that 9 officially accepted Observers and over 25 for the membership contacted universities speak for themselves. As a Board Member I am most proud of EESTEC second international-scale event that came in form of EESTEC Chairman Meeting. It was clear success as almost all participants turned to be driving forces in their LCs afterwards. Throughout the whole year, we also managed to perceive EESTEC's weaknesses internally and against other uprunner associations. These were all recorded and already partially involved into the work implementation program, lined-up with the budget from EC Grant 2007.

## Did not in my mandate...

When looking up my presentation when running for the position I see that I did not bring up a final solution of Visa Facilitation, I did not succeed to establish some renowned alumni bonding system, did not manage to provide LCs, missing their website, with the according solution and did not achieve a desired result in Fund Raising for EESTEC Int. Nevertheless, there has been startup or even advanced work done in some fields, meaning that our successors will have solids to start with.

#### In the future...

I will start my Master Thesis right after the Congress will be over and this also means that my days as active EESTECer are facing the word goodbye. Still, I will contribute to alumni and eestec.net activities which I is a serious bottle neck at the time being holding down the further development of the association.

## Final thoughts...

It has to be said outloud that EESTEC gave me a whole lot in this year, it gave me financial means to realize travel journeys, new colleagues in the Board itself and outside it, it broadened my social, knowhow and rhetorical horizon and thus, despite some downsides that came along when being entitled, I have to say that I really had an unforgettable time that made me EESTEC type of person for good.

Dejan Pangercic EA – 2006/2007

## Vice-chairman Publications and Administration

Hello!

My name is Maria Viziteu and I have been VC P&A and component of the EESTEC International board 2006-2007. I can find a hundred



reasons for that, but just to make it short, because EESTEC has given me perspective and it has thought me that following dreams in life is not some utopian luxury, but a lifestyle and it works

Honestly, I have done in EESTEC kind of everything at local level and I have been international board assistant for EA, IA, President and have collaborated a little with the last two treasures. The last year I have found myself very interested in the way messages are being promoted in

society, and by messages I understand ideas spread using publications, radio, and television but also from human to human. In this context I am interested in learning how the process really occurs, how ideas are shaped, how the work is really done and how the systems of values of EESTEC is being presented and promoted.

My goal in EESTEC this year was to respect my duties stated in the ROP and make the EESTEC community aware of the necessity of implementing branding strategies. After the trainings in ECM I am proud to say that I have heard positive opinions about the EESTEC brand on the lips of some very skeptic EESTEC-ers. I hope that the next board will be interested in the new concepts and will go further with implementing branding management.

I feel that EESTEC as a community of friends and future electrical

engineers is on the right path, that it is growing more and more from one generation to another not only from expansion point of view but also from quality. Impulsed by the grant obtained by the last board, the one this year managed to reach a lot of the dreams of previous EESTEC generation: make an event dedicated to trainings, travel more, keep in better contact thanks to communication funds, travel more to job fares, future LCs, conferences, be part of the European community of students involved in volunteer work.

This board was an interesting palette of personalities. We all had contributed a lot at the development of the local committees we belong to and we all had our expectations and standards of quality. I have discovered in Marko the smart, calm manager, in Dejan a dedicated character, fighting to reach dreams and goals up to the last detail, in Gabi a young jedi willing to give his contribution and investing energy up to the physical limits and in Alper an ambitious and calm presence. My guess is that all in all we have kept the high standard left by the last board.

In EESTEC I have seen things growing from the state of idea, through the project faze, and becoming reality in the end. Sometimes the results seem far, and the road without an end, sometimes it seems senseless; sometimes what turns into reality has only one drop from the initial idea; sometimes the plan fails.

No matter what, the journey is fascinating, and the laughter, the light in the eyes of the people you worked with, the arguments, the conflicts, everything, every single moment has a drop of experience as a gift for all the real players. So in the end not only I discovered that it was worth it, but I found out that EESTEC is the smartest way to invest my capital of energy.

Thank you dear EESTEC!

Maria Viziteu VC P&A

#### **Treasurer**

With EESTEC since 2005.

Everything started after I have seen an advertisement on our faculty's billboard which was telling that there was an opportunity to travel around



EUROPE and see people from Electrical Engineering department. Traveling around EUROPE and at the same time meeting with people from Electrical Engineering department has seemed very well to me. Then I have decided to be a part of EESTEC. I have gone to the local meetings. Than I learnt that in Istanbul we were not a part of EESTEC, I entered EESTEC at the beginning of everything for LC Istanbul. We have made all the necessary things to become an Observer. Than while we were an Observer we have organized

Get Mobile '06. We all wanted to be a concrete part of EESTEC and the way of it was becoming an LC for that we have to go to the Congress in Sofia, and show there that we deserve being an LC.

Get Mobile '06 was my first workshop. Even I was an organizer I had lots of fun. Then I have gone to Budapest for Graphics WS and there I had more fun. It was really great. Since EESTEC was great I have decided that working in local level can not be enough for me that I have decided to become a part of International group. The way of it was being a part of the International Board. I was the treasurer of ITU IEEE SB and I was experienced about it. Then I decided to be a candidate for Treasurer position, I have been elected, time passed really fast and now I am at the end of my work.

Being a part of an organization which is totally formed and being carried

out by students is a great thing. All the people from EESTEC are some how seem like my friends. They ever seemed as strangers. There were lots of things to share. I have seen the spirit. Somehow the spirit was surrounding all around us. I have seen that EESTEC brings people together and EESTEC spirit makes people friends.

In EESTEC as a board member I have experienced to be a part of an International team. Being a team is a great thing when it is international it is greater. As a team who are members of EESTEC International board we have tried to carry EESTEC to a point. The most important part is continuity. After the congress in Budapest we will become an ex-board. But the real situation is we are always going to be in touch with the next board and we are going to give them our full support. In Europe EESTEC is one. There are no other organizations like EESTEC and it is going to be perfect as long as every EESTECer carries his or her EESTEC spirit to the next generation.

Now I am preparing my self to be alumni of EESTEC. Does being alumni mean being a passive member? I don't think so how can I stop to be an active member of EESTEC. If you once taste the EESTEC spirit, you will never be able to forget about it and not be able to take yourself apart from EESTEC. Taste the spirit; you will be an EESTECer forever.

### **EESTEC Congress Sofia 2006**

**The Congress** 

26. April - 5. May 2006



And so it began with heavy lifting. Three of us from Novi Sad were supposed to carry ten packages with EESTEC Yearbooks and History books since LC Novi Sad was the part of the Yearbook Committee. With the reinforcement on Belgrade train station and lack of interest that border control showed for books, we managed to transport them to Sofia.

We were among the first people who came in the morning so we practically had the whole day free to enjoy Bulgarian sun and beer. In the evening was dinner and pre-welcome party and that is when the congress really began because most of the people came. Many of those people you know from previous EESTEC events and you are happy to meet them again. The party was great: all you need is a good mood and a little bit of alcohol for a good EESTEC party.

The next morning pretty much showed how following 8 days would



look like. We were sleeping for very few hours and therefore feeling destroyed in the morning. However, we managed to reach the Technical University of Sofia very formally dressed because the first thing on the agenda was the Grand opening where we were welcomed by the dean. Then

we got the fancy folders from COC and the Congress guide and that meant that the General Assembly could start, along with the workshops that were held by EESTEC International Board members. Generally, that is how every day of the congress passed by: really tough morning, hard-working meetings all the day with the lunch break, dinner and party in the evening.

When you read previous lines you think: "Why would anybody want to go to the congress then?" Well, General Meetings and workshops can be quite interesting and useful if you are into EESTEC and its organization and want to learn something more about it. And on the other hand, there are parties. 100 EESTEC people in one place! That means superb party for sure. The pre-welcome party was just a warm-up for the real welcome party. We were greeted on the square in front of the faculty with amazing fireworks and Bulgarian national folk dancers and singers. The party continued there until midnight and then we moved to the discotheque where we made quite a mess. I heard rumours that some people drank all the tequila and some other were dancing around the poll. Other

nights did not lack the good atmosphere either. We went to Sofia night clubs, celebrated one birthday with a special guest and had the alumni night which was the best party. (Maybe because of cheap tequila? I'm not sure.)



Anyway, the moment we

all were waiting for was to go to the Bulgarian seaside and, from what we heard, to be accommodated in what should have been a fancy hotel. And it really was!!! LC Sofia really did the best to make this congress very comfortable. It was a 4 star hotel with 2 swimming pools and very nice rooms. Unfortunately, the weather was too cold to go swimming in the sea although it was so close. You could see it from your balcony. However, some people didn't mind it at all. Maybe they are from northern and colder countries... The other problem with going swimming, even in the indoor pool, was that we were too busy having General Meetings all day. Some really important topics were on the agenda, like choosing next

COC and next Board. However, thanks to the initiative of LC Niš, we managed to grab one hour to enjoy in swimming pools and that proved to be the highlight of EESTEC spirit. You have to feel the connection when you are standing wet outside, on 10 degrees, holding hands around the outdoor pool and waiting to jump into the freezing water. Amazing feeling!

After marvellous time at the seaside we came back to Sofia to finish the meetings, listen to sponsor's presentations and officially close this 20<sup>th</sup> EESTEC Congress with a nice cocktail in the lobby of the Technical University. Afterwards was the farewell party and already early in the morning some people had to leave, meaning: Congress was over! We had time until the next day afternoon to get some rest or do some sightseeing and at 2pm our train left for Serbia.

All in all, it was excellent 9 days in Bulgaria thanks to LC Sofia and thanks to all the great EESTEC-ers who participated in this event. I hope to see you again sometimes, somewhere.

LC Novi Sad Tijana Ružić



# EESTEC Chairpersons' Meeting 2006

Chairpersons Meeting 5. - 11. November 2006



#### **Participants:**

LC Aachen (1), LC Ankara (1), LC Athens, LC Banja Luka, LC Belgrade, LC Hamburg, LC Helsinki, LC Istanbul, LC Ljubljana, LC Nis, LC Novi Sad, LC Podgorica, LC Rijeka, LC Sofia, LC Skopje, LC Trieste, LC Wroclaw, LC Zurich, Observer Lugano, Observer Sarajevo, International Board and one member of BEST

Even though I wasn't the chairperson of my LC, I was offered to represent LC Niš on the first EESTEC Chairman Meeting in Istanbul and I am really glad I have accepted it. I have been to EESTEC exchanges before but for this one I didn't know what to expect because it was the first time an event like this was organized. Only association about it was a lot of work. And, as you can imagine, I was right. The lectures were organized so tight that we didn't have much free time and combined with long night parties there was so little time for sleep. That combination caused some blanks in minds of some of us but there was not permanent damage.



#### Working part

The working sessions were organized by EESTEC International Board and, with a little bit loosen up schedule, I really wouldn't have anything to remark them. The working sessions were so well carried out that after the presentations

and discussions one could have an impression that a high level meeting was going on. The professionalism of the trainers during the sessions as well as audience was impressive. So many facts and problems of many LC-s were introduced and the conclusion was that all of them are pretty

the same and haven't changed at all, over the years, for almost every LC in EESTEC. I am sure that outcome of these sessions are going to be presented by the organizers themselves so I am not going to elaborate it any more.

#### **Non-Working part**

Although we were constantly sleepy, the tiredness didn't have chance to overcome alive **EESTEC** very spirit. Turkish people are widely known after their willingness for dancing that proved to be true. The participants didn't behind. The atmosphere



in clubs was so great that you couldn't sit down for long time. There are not enough words to describe it so I won't try. The atmosphere in a restaurant with a girl performing a belly dancing act after dinner was so... I'll just say interesting. That impression can be felt even by looking at a great number of pictures taken that night. The great Turkish cuisine was dazzled that night even it was really tasty (and colorful also). Besides parting in the evenings, we had really interesting sightseeing. Istanbul is an amazing city with so many interesting sights buy also so big that we didn't have enough time to see everything we wanted. For one and a half day reserved for that purpose, we managed to visit many places and experience the life in Istanbul through bargaining on Grand Bazaar, being squeezed in crowded metro during rush hour, being stuck in a traffic jam (after seeing this one, the traffic jam in your town will look like a peace of cake), praying in Blue Mosque, drinking (for me too sour) Turkish tea from special little cups... Out of a lot of beautiful monuments we had to choose the most famous ones so we visited Hagia Sophia, amazing Sultans' Topkapi Palace and Dolmabahce Palace, Basilica Cistern... We had an opportunity to see some parts of Istanbul from the boat on boat trip on the Bosphorus. The sight was great. It was better when some of the organizers brought three birthday cakes for three guys who had their birthdays while ECM was going on. After the birthday song, a lot of congratulation kisses and one (or more, for very fast eaters) peace(s) of very delicious cakes, we reached Asia. Actually, we didn't see much of it (it was night and we just went there for a



dinner) but now we can all say that we've been to Asia.

Bottom line is that all the people who were involved in organizing this event did a great job. The hosts were great as well as all the participants so the outcome couldn't be less than amazing. Thanks everyone for such a great week and I hope I'll see most of you again very soon.

Aleksandra Cvetković, CP of LC Niš

ECM was, in fact, mix of very useful trainings, great parties, visits of fascinated historical and cultural monuments, hanging ups with great people, place of birth for new ideas and making important deals.

First, I will start from parties:) During this 6 days we could see: Turkish bath (hamam), belly dance and nightlife in Istanbul. After great nights in clubs like "Melek" and "Maroon" we could try food like "doner", siskebab with famous Turkish drink called "Ayran".

During day, we had working sessions. We were hard working and everything was very useful. Some of topics were: Team Building, Fund Raising, Project Management, Effective Presentation etc.

I must admit that I've been delighted with cultural fortune old Istanbul. We had chance to see: Topkapi Palace, Ayasofya Museum, Blue Mosque (Sultanahmet Imperial Mosque), Dolmabahce Palace. It was something unforgeteble.

Most of us learned some Turkish words. I remember few of them: Tesekkur Ederim(Thank you), Sherefe (Cheers), Evet(Yes) and Yok(No), Afiyet olsun (Good appetite) and Kac para(How much) ©

And for the last, special thanks to organisers. They were very careful, patient, well organized and interesting people to hang out with.

Tesekkur Ederim LC Istanbul!

Faris Nizamić, Chairman of EESTEC - Observer Sarajevo



# Report of EESTEC International Internship 2006 / 2007

Pleasant HELLO to everyone!

During the last years, EESTEC have been dealing with all kinds of events (workshops, exchanges, study visits, congress), meaning that EESTEC tries to be a link between companies and organisations on one hand, and students on the other hand. So there came an idea why not use our connections in companies, collaborations with faculties and professors to expand our EESTEC activities on some extra field. That's how EESTEC start operating an internship exchange program between its members.

#### Internships, why should we do it?

Most of the employers prefer graduates that possess both good theoretical knowledge and some practical skills. This does not only mean that you know how to physically make a product but that you have some teambuilding, man - management or project leadership skills.

More and more corporations around the world recognize that. So it is important, that their employees have also some soft - skills. Unfortunately, most graduate schools do not teach you how to gain your soft-skills. But internship gives you an opportunity to acquire some of them.

For more details here are some advantages why to attend international internships:

- achieving practical working skills from the field of studying,
- familiarizing students with the work environment and the demands of the workplace, as

well as labour relations and their earnings,

- improving linguistic competence and intercultural awareness,
- improving language skills,
- it's a first step to a serious permanent job

## Some general reactions, involvement and responsiveness of EESTEC members:

At the very first beginning of the EESTEC internships at the Congres 2006 in Sofia, ten LCs were interested for dealing with it. In every LC there was selected local internship coordinator which is responsible for the communication with companies as well with the international and others local coordinators. Therefore, also the Internship group was formed. It's consisted of LCs who were willing to participate in this program meaning they would start looking for internships for foreign students on the local level. In the meantime, local coordinators manage to contact some companies and to sort them by the perspective fields of studying (electrical - engineering and computer science).

In November of 2006, some of before applied LCs said that they are not ready yet for dealing with internships, meaning that just few LCs showed some real results and stay active until now. But luckilly some new LC applied instead of ones before.

Todays most active LCs dealing with internships program are:

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All together, that makes 10 LC's with more than 40 interested companies.

#### Reached success:

Until today LC Madrid and LC Novi Sad had reached the great success concerning organizing internships. LC Madrid manage to provide four internships that have started at the end of November. So this moment there are four guys from Turkey, Serbia and Slovenia doing their internship in the Telefonica company. In one of next EESTEC magazines we'll for sure publish their experiences and share it with you.

Also LC Novi Sad manage to provide four internships which will start during this summer. The companys name is INDAS and they are ready to give internship for the automation students and for computer science students (mainly programming).

Dealing with internship program means that we have to publish some basic informations for public about EESTEC internship program. That's why we created some documents which will be soon published on the EESTEC International WEB site

The following documents are:

- students application form: for students who want to apply to internship,
- companies application form: for companies which are interested to accept students to internship,
- internship advisory paper: this document contains requirements that the internships should

provide to the students when visiting other city trough the EESTEC internship program,

• Web page text: Contains general informations about what internship program is, what is the aim,

which are the benefits, eligibility and terms, etc, etc.

#### Conclusion

As at the fairy tales, stories and such, we can also in the EESTEC International internship pull a certain moral philosophy over situation. Nevertheless if we just started with internship program, we must be persistent and give this start up project big push towards the much greater success. As the international internship coordinator I must say that I was a little disappointed because of low LCs response. Perhaps reason can hide in the newness, because internships are new EESTEC project which is still pretty much developing. Partly the blame lays on me, partly we can all take our part. But more important thing than to blame each other is to improve todays situation. So what can I recommend to you is no matter if this project is new or not, take every and each internship as your first EESTEC event. Just remember, you left your LC totally "green", with a bunch of questions with no idea what to expect. But! You returned full of new ideas, friendships, wider cultural aspects and with many technical skills. Now take you first EESTEC event impression, multiply it with zillion and your still not even close what Internships can offer to every one and each of you.

From the personal and my colleagues experiences all what I can say is that everywhere (no matter of internship location and company) person can learn as much as he or she wants. So finally, this is the chance



where all the possibilities are depending on ourselves, our personal initiative.

That's why we should put a lot effort in it, because this is the fundamental that we are building on our own future.

So EESTEC, THE BEST IS YET TO COME!

Peter Bevk EESTEC International Internship Coordinator

## EESTEC Spirit Never Rests

Altough we had a year full of exchanges and workshops, EESTECers manage to find something to do in spare time. What follows are just some of the many unofficial events organized...

## EESTEC Alumni Event 2006/2007 – Bienvenue les Alpes

How it all started

It all started with two girls having their girls night out in Cologne. Somehow we ended up in this cocktail bar during happy hour. After some "Long Island Icetea" we started to wonder about the next new years eve and what to do then. We came to the conclusion that spending it with EESTEC would be the perfect solution. So with the last sip of the second, or third, or fourth, or... who's counting? glass we decided to ask the alumni if anyone would join our party, and where we should organize it.

There were a bunch of answers from everywhere, most of them very positive about our idea, and many suggesting places on the other side of the world:-) That's what you get if you ask EESTEC-Alumni for a place to party: Australia, Carib Islands, North America, Mediterranean, Alps...



Australia and the Alps had a draw at the vote, and in the end both locations had an EESTEC Alumni New Years Eve Event. We decided to set up ours to the Alps.

The next three weeks an organisational team was formed in

Aachen. In the end all of us were desperately trying to find a cottage at the Alps. Only two months before the New Years Eve it wasn't an easy task! Some other people seemed to have had the same idea. All the houses with capacity 10+ were already rented out. Finally we found a house fitting for ten people at the French Alps, near the Ski resort Les Deux Alpes. So the event got its name: "Bienvenue les Alpes". An invitation was sent to the alumni-talks-list and to cp-list, and at the end 10 Alumni joined the trip.

#### 30<sup>th</sup> of December: Arrival

Travelling with Carstens good old Mercedes packed up to the weight limit, we more or less swam to France. Scary if your car starts to swing like a ship on the German Autobahn! But finally we arrived to the cottage, where the first half of the team had already prepared a dinner for everybody. The last division of the team, coming from Finland, arrived some later the evening.

#### 31st of December: The First Ski Day

The perfect sunny weather and news there should be new snow on the higher slopes in Les Deux Alpes! After some negotiation with the ski rental guy and running around in La Grave to find a cheaper one we got a discount on our skis and ski-boots. Thanks to Astrid for her excellent French. We packed the stuff and drove to Les Deux Alpes finding it totally crowded lacking badly a good parking area! The weather was just too good. After 1 ½ hours searching for some parking place, realizing that people and their skiing equipment were in different cars at different ends of the village, having some sightseeing in the valley with skiing-boots (not nice!!!), trying to get a ski pass along with some 100 other people, finding out about the needed photo in the middle of the queue, again queuing for the gondola to the peak of the mountain we hit the slopes at 1 o'clock.

The process was a bit frustrating but the perfect view and the beautiful weather wiped that experience away like some bad dream. Everything was totally worth it! The feeling among the group was excited and happy, it's impossible to describe. Specially when people, who hadn't skied for a long time found out that the break hadn't harmed their skiing skills at all. Just that T-Lift-thing needed some practice:-)

Carsten, who stayed at the cottage to pick up Marijn arriving at noon at Grenoble train station, did not share our luck. He became sick just after he decided to explore the mountain in La Grave....

New Years Eve started nicely with some Glühwein, since eating with an empty stomache is unhealthy. Preparation of raclette was managed well by the whole team, everyone found a way to do their share. Astrid had

some exciting moments to watch Marijn and Hapo trying the quality of the borrowed little 2-people-raclette in most inventive ways. :-D This New Year there was no big fireworks, just tons of sparklers and a show given by our German next door neighbours. The rest of the night went nicely seeing our futures with the Finnish traditional tin melting.

## $1^{\underline{\text{st}}}$ of January – $5^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ of January: The Alps

The next days were spent mainly on the slopes. The week was very versatile when it comes to weather: we had days when it snowed so hard skiing was almost impossible and Hapo became an owner of snow chains,

on other days the sun was shining from a clear sky and the Alps were covered with new powder snow.

Amazingly well our group of ten people managed to form smaller groups for the ski days: the 'old farts off-piste team' with Hapo, Edgar and Marijn, the 'girl team' with Outi, Eike, Astrid and Ruth, the 'ski-instructors' with Robert and Basti and finally the 'beginner' Carsten, who tried out skiing for the first time in his life, and had a local ski instructor for company. Carsten also got acquainted



with the scenery by doing trips with snowshoes, and for the last day the girl team split up for a while, when Eike and Astrid wanted to test out their snowboarding abilities.

On the evenings we had delicious meals in Finnish, Indonesian and South African style, ending with a perfect Fondue evening in the local restaurant. And yes, now it's proven. There exists people, who can order a cheese plate for dessert after having a tons of cheese in the fondue for the main course. :-D And to disappoint someone (?) this time the Finnish dishes were prepared with clothes on.

The only thing lacking almost the whole week was a proper after ski

night. Since the place we had our cottage (La Grave) was not the place we were skiing at (Les Deux Alpes), but there was a half an hour – hour drive between the two places, we only stayed at Les Deux Alpes a couple of times a bit longer. Of course it was nice to spend the evenings at the cottage listening to music, drinking, playing cards and chatting, but still next year the cottage will definitely be situated in a good after ski resort.

### 6th of January: Departure

Departure at nine. Finding out at the reception, that Lance Armstrong used the cottage always when participating in Tour de France, and the bed he used was used by Outi and Edgar during the week. So they are almost related to a famous person. Still the way back to home felt really long, and all the thoughts in our heads were only skiing related.

Excellent week! Totally worth every day, and somehow the event still continues in the mind... Let's see what other Alumni-Events will follow and take it's place. Anyone up for a Long Island Ice Tea?

The best pictures of this event can be seen at www://web.mac.com/huerfeld

#### **EESTEC Hour –**

### "EESTEC Gathers and make Europe smile"

Motto: "Why do we need to promote EESTEC to grandmas and grandpas?"

Where did the idea come from?

I have proposed "EESTEC Hour" as a new type of event for EESTEC International as Tijana's (VC-IA '05-'06) board assistant in 2005. For



me that was an interesting year when guided by Tijana I understood better the mechanisms of EESTEC International.

As president of EESTEC LC Bucharest I had attended by then 2 congresses (in Cosenza and Belgrade). Unfortunately I could not reach the one in Madrid for

objective reasons. When my friends (Radu and Cristi) turned back to Bucharest from the congress they told me what happened there, about the crazy things, the same amazing people. Some weeks after I have found myself missing a feeling shown to me only by EESTEC: belonging to an international community.

In EESTEC I have discovered a spirit that only among people sharing the same beliefs one can discover. In EESTEC it is ok to try and sometimes fail, it is ok to ask stupid question, it is ok to be wrong sometimes, it

is ok to come up with ideas that seem totally crazy because you will definitely find somebody who will tell you "let's do that!". When you find that under your nose, among your colleagues and friends, in the same HQ it is great. But when you discover that there are a couple of hundreds of people like that all over



your continent is absolutely magnificent!

The idea of EESTEC Hour was to find a way of proving that in EESTEC, we share the same spirit all over Europe, maybe every moment and we do not necessarily need to share a common territory to show that.



What does EESTEC Hour consist of? EESTEC members, do the same thing, the same hour, all over Europe. The first idea was to approach people in the streets, tell them jokes and make them smile – "EESTEC Gathers and makes Europe Smile" was the motto of the

event. Then as we have thought about it more we reached the conclusion that not many people would feel comfortable to do that and we came up with the idea of spreading balloons and candies and take nice pictures.

By know EESTEC Hour had 2 editions and it was a success for the LCs that have adopted and implemented it. Fortunately it is starting to be a tradition and more and more people ask about it and are willing to participate.

#### How does EESTEC benefit from that?

My opinion is that EESTEC Hour is more a motivational event than a promotional one. The most important thing here is to let your members know that whatever they are doing for that hour, there are other EESTEC members doing the same thing at the same moment all over the continent. The purpose is to let your members know that they belong to an international community of people just like them and that this community exists beyond physical borders and distances. And more than that, we do not keep our joy of being only for ourselves but we share it with the local communities we belong to.

Maria Viziteu VC-P&A '06-'07

#### Go East!

#### LC Aachens' exchange with Saint Petersburg!

"Today is the day!", finally it was the 9<sup>th</sup> of May and we were flying to Saint Petersburg. We – that is a group of 10 students from Aachen. Quite a mixture: A German-Chinese-Polish-Russian group of future engineers (electrical, mechanical, medical ...), economists, political scientists and others... We all got together for one reason; we wanted to experience Saint Petersburg! And with the guidance of experienced EESTECers and their contacts we found our way there.

Two eventful weeks were coming up, full of cultural program, trips, party and a lot more. Most of us were also going to live with their Russian hosts and their families and very much looking forward to get to know the Russian way of life.

"Peter" is so rich in architecture, art and history. In the hermitage we could have spent whole days walking around looking at the pieces of



art. But not just the artwork was capturing our eyes, also the buildings as an old palace itself. National Artists expected us in the Russian Museum. We also got the chance to watch Swan Lake in a beautiful theatre. Visiting the Cruiser of Revolution and Peter and Paul Fortress gave us a good idea of

the historical importance of the city. Since we were in the Venice of the north we also made a boat tour over the channels and the Neva.

Of course we did not stay all the time in the big city, with its vivid boulevards, crowded subways and crazy traffic. Sometimes we found

our way out (more often if your host lived in a suburb) and visited the other residences of the czars. For example the Summer Palace in Pushkin which we visited under not-summer-like weather conditions. Fortunately it was dry in the Amber Room. We also went to visit the Peterhof with its great fountains, some of them are there to "wet" the tourists and we ensured that the nice man in the rain coat got to do his job. In the Oreschek

fortress on a small island in the Ladoga Lake at the Neva delta we had the pleasure of listening to a funny German translation of how Germans troops played a cruel role at this place, which was everything but funny. On another day we also drove as far as Novograd to one of Russias oldest cities. The long



way through Russian landscape over bumpy roads was not a problem for many of us, since "the night before" was not long over...

...And this is where partying comes into play. We danced in stylish discotheques like the Metro and in underground clubs. Especially the guys of our group where delighted, since the places were full of cute girls wearing high heels. Something not to be seen much in Aachen, since there are few girls at our technical university and even fewer that take the pain of those shoes. But clubbing was a question of all or nothing since the metros do not operate between midnight and six, which is a problem if you do not live downtown. But in that case you can also have fun time with your hosts, for example listening to Russian karaoke.

After two exciting weeks in Saint Petersburg most of us took the way over Finland back home. It was also exciting passing Russian customs – we had heard bad things, and our official registration papers were organised on the last minute. But the really challenging were the Finish officials who wanted to know who had won the European Song Contest the night before. Fortunately we knew the codeword "Lordi". LC Helsinki took great care of us and showed us around in the city and the nightlife. We

had a great time and enjoyed the dorm atmosphere of the guestroom.

Of course we wanted to return the favour and offer our exchange partner two great weeks in "our" Aachen. Well, since everything is so close here we also made trips to a couple of other countries.

We had the greatest weather so we enjoyed barbeques in the park, swims in pool and even camping by the Ruhr Lake. It was also the time for great Open-Air Parties. Although exams where coming up for us, we partied all through the nights to give our guests a good time. The soccer world championship was taking place in Germany and you could even feel it in Aachen, so strolling through the city our guests could feel the joyful and international atmosphere. Since there is more to student life than just parties we also presented some of our institutes. The cultural site of Aachen could, among other occasions, be discovered in the Long Night of the Museums.

But we offered also time for some serious sightseeing. Amsterdam, Paris, Maastricht, Brügge, Düsseldorf and Cologne were to be discovered. Visiting the Christopher Street Parade in Cologne was quite an experience for our guests, such a queer and colourful parade can not be found in Russia

Then there was the time to say goodbye, to our dear guests and to the exchange which had made our spring and summer so exciting.

Marianne Hitpaß

LC Aachen





#### **JOB FAIR06**

6. - 7. November 2006 Organized by LC Belgrade

Career fair intended for technical students, JOBFAIR, is one of the biggest and most important events organized by EESTEC, together with partner organization BEST. It is not so only due to satisfying income and



great number of people involved from both organizations, but also for its socially responsible aspect. One of the indicators of the importance of this project is the support of all technical faculties' deans, Ministry of education and Assembly of the City of Belgrade.

Having in mind that this JOBFAIR was the second in a row, one must point out that certain "paths" were already made, tanks to well done job by the previous board and members. That made it easier for the JOBFAIR '06 to rise even more and by using already made contacts and making new ones to become a real brand.

Active preparations took about two months. First the crucial was done: contacting potential participants, acquiring the funds and marketing. Last year's participants were the basis of the fair, but this year making new contacts and discovering new companies with successful businesses in Serbia was taken more seriously. All this implied forming rather big fund raising team. FR training was conducted with great success, and pure hierarchical organization in groups contributed to faster exchange of information, which has shown to be very important in communication with the companies.

About 150 potential participants and sponsors were contacted in a very short time. Of course, number of 22 companies who took part in the

project can be considered quite a success, since the capacity of the hall where it was all happening was exceeded. It is enough to say: Microsoft, Telekom Srbija, E-Smart, ERICSSON, Rigips, WÜRTH etc. By no way we should forget friends of the project and media patrons, who decided to help our project. Some of then



are: RTS, B92, POLITIKA, PC-PRESS etc.

Already experienced public relations team, reinforced with new young members, has shined. Deals with most popular media were arranged efficiently and quickly and skillfully lead appearances in TV and radio shows significantly contributed to spread the word of JOBFAIR in wide population. It also boosted the good image of the event, organizations and the faculty.

This year a novelty was introduced. Since it was decided to intensify marketing towards the most important part of the fair- students, serious



PR campaign was carried out. It was consisted of: giving leaflets, placing posters on faculty boards and of course personal contact with interested colleagues. These measures significantly influenced number of students participating in JOBFAIR.

Great funds invested in marketing

through printed material really paid off. Numerous posters on boards around the city and in public transport vehicles and stops lead to that

companies, which by some case were not on our contact list, made the first step and contacted EESTEC or BEST wanting to be a part of it. Fabulous design, recognizable logo and motifs were appearing everywhere: on posters, files, pens, T-shirts etc.

On the first day of the fair there were some tiny current problems, just like on any major event, but they were quickly resolved. Those were the consequences of the jitters; long time spent expecting the results, lots of effort made and similar. After the opening ceremony, it can be said that everything went like planned. Apart from few mistakes and according to companies' and students visitors' feedback it was concluded that job was successfully done. Among other impressions participants point out our efficiency, kindness, boldness for taking a project of this magnitude and persistence during realization. Connections between faculty, BEST and EESTEC on one side and successful companies on the other are reinforced and promise great JOBFAIR '07.

The most important goals and values were reached: number of employed - according to unofficial information is satisfying, members of two students' organizations gained another priceless experience, meet a lot of new people, acquired new contacts and finally turned to even closer cooperation.

Nikola Basta Head Organizer

## **Axway-EESTEC**

## Olympics - Winter Edition Winter Edition

24h programming contest

16-17. December 2006

#### **Participants:**

85 teams registered for preselection, 15 teams in the final round (no less than a total of 255 people)

If you see a group of kids from our university environment, the first



thought that will come into your mind is that they are playing some network game. Maybe it is not the first, but is for sure one of the possibilities. I would say that in one case for sure you will be terrible wrong and to change a little bit the perspective you should see above the prejudice.

As a young person I love challenges and I know that a contest is a good opportunity to test where my place is and how I can develop my abilities, but of course not on the last place how I can have fun with people who enjoy the same things I do. Thinking of these reasons you will see the starting point from where all grew until it reached the final form, the Axway EESTEC Olympics.

24 hours of work and fun in the same time. And you are not even alone on your task...you can bring your friends (of course no more and no less than 2 friends for you) and be together in the team who will possible win. When you say programmer you think quick at a person who spends all the day in front



of his computer, eat pizza and drink Cola. When EESTEC thought of



programmers they saw games to relax them, coffee to help them resist 24 hours, a beautiful Christmas tree (this was just for atmosphere...not to forget that holidays were coming) and of course food and drinks to keep the participants productive. We improvised for them a true camp, with

tents and mattresses, with a pingpong table and a ball for football. And, after all, is not so much of a surprise that there were teams who participated for a second time at this event. So we've said why AEO. If you wonder when, I'll say the weekend of 16-17.12.2006. I bet the next pop up question is where.



This is simple: no better place that in the university...it's the place that represented us at this age.

The sponsor at this event wasn't less satisfied to see how many young people are capable to become successful employee. They've tried hard to remain objective and to give equal chances to all, so it's out of question that the winners were not the best at that moment. You would think that the jury was among teams with a circumspect look and assuring that everybody will notice their presence. Not at all...they forgot about work and they left the ties home and came there to be students again, feel the emotions and assure that everybody have what it's needed. Their attitude helped EESTEC members a lot and participants even more, because teams could act free and give what they knew best.

At last I should tell you something that maybe was or wasn't important, but sure made the contest valid and the participants' work justified. You already know that I'm talking about prizes that where pretty consistent and worth all the effort invest by participants (excluding at this point the experience they've gained): 1024, 512 and 256 \$ for the best 3 teams (round numbers :D ). Letting some things for you to discover I look forward for the next edition. I for sure will be there!!

